

EU Geopolitical Confrontation Risks Thermonuclear World War!

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Feb. 1—Steered by geopolitical interests, the policy of the West—the United States and the EU—has created a Nazi monster in Ukraine, the consequences of which could finish us all off. As a result of two decades of interference by foreign interests in Ukraine, not only is there a threat of civil war and the possible break-up of the country, but also nuclear confrontation with Russia.

“What? That’s not at all what we hear every day on the TV news! Aren’t these peace-loving protesters who want to escape to free Europe and from the threat of Putin’s dictatorship?”

Let’s imagine that something like what is happening in Ukraine now were occurring in Berlin. The area around the Reichstag and the Chancellor’s Office is barricaded and besieged by supporters of organizations who use swastikas as their party logo and shout out Nazi slogans; some buildings in the area are occupied by the NPD [the neo-fascist National Democratic Party of Germany—ed.]; masked and heavily armed mercenaries who fought alongside al-Qaeda in the wars in Iraq and Syria, are throwing Molotov cocktails and have occupied the Ministry of Justice, and throughout the rest of the Federal Republic, 2,200 foreign-funded non-governmental organization (NGOs) are stirring up their paid activists to occupy local mayors’ offices and city administrations and to demand the ouster of Chancellor Angela Merkel. The duly elected Merkel government deploys police in an effort to clear these plazas, and is then denounced by all the countries of Asia and Africa for ignoring the citizens’ desire for freedom.

This mirror-image scenario is exactly what is going on in Ukraine right now, and there can be no doubt that this is known to the EU, the Konrad Adenauer Foundation, and the chairman of the European Parliament’s Committee on Foreign Affairs, Elmar Brok, since many of their representatives have been in close touch with the demonstrators for weeks. But, at the same time,

many publications, such as *Time* magazine and the British *Guardian*, to name just two, are identifying the fascist character of the opposition in Ukraine. Stephen Cohen, professor of Russian studies at New York University and Princeton, put a point on it, in an [interview](#) with Amy Goodman of Democracy Now: There was a coup by right-wing Nazis against a democratically elected government, he said. “Who precipitated this crisis? It was the European Union.... Essentially, Ukraine was given an ultimatum: Sign the EU economic agreement or else. Now, what was that agreement?” he asked. “It would have been an economic catastrophe for Ukraine.... What did the European Union offer them? The same austerity policies that are ravaging Europe, and nothing more—\$600 million. It needed billions and billions.

“There’s one other thing. If you read the protocols of the European offer to Ukraine, which has been interpreted in the West as just about civilizational change, escaping Russia, economics, democracy, there is a big clause on military cooperation. In effect, by signing this, Ukraine would have had to abide by NATO’s military policies. What would that mean? That would mean drawing a new Cold War line, which used to be in Berlin, right through the heart of Slavic civilization, on Russia’s borders.”

Encirclement of Russia

So let’s take a closer look at these “freedom-loving, pro-European” demonstrators.

The Svoboda organization has hoisted everywhere the red-black flag of the 20th-Century OUN (Organization of Ukrainian Nationalists) of Stepan Bandera and its military wing, the UPA (Ukrainian Insurgent Army). The Svoboda Party’s leader is Oleh Tyahnybok, whom Sen. John McCain and others are so thrilled to be photographed with. Svoboda’s hero, Bandera, was a leading collaborator of the Nazis, and his organization prepared the way for the Nazi invasion of

Ukraine in 1941. The OUN/UPA¹ was responsible for the massacre of up to 100,000 Poles in 1943-44, and, according to the official history of the British MI6, after the war the group was taken over by British intelligence and was controlled in the 1950s by the Gehlen Organization in Germany, after Reinhard Gehlen became head of the BND [Federal Intelligence Agency].

Ukrainian sources report on the participation of another radical group, whose name in Ukrainian is Spilnya Sprava (“Common Cause”), abbreviated “SS,” and who regard themselves as storm-troopers. Anti-Semitic, Russophobic, and racist slogans dominate the scene, and there have already been assaults on other groups. There are also reports of the infiltration of the ranks of the demonstrators by over 300 Ukrainian “Afghansi”—guerrillas who fought in Syria on the side of the pro-al-Qaeda groups against the Assad government, and therefore have considerable combat experience.

There is no question that a fascist coup is in progress in Ukraine.

But as President Putin’s advisor Sergei Glazyev recently stressed, these Nazis did not just suddenly come out of the woods: For 20 years, Ukraine has been the target of the same policy of the Anglo-American policy of regime change—of which the EU has become the regional sub-division—that has been aimed at Iraq, Iran, Libya, Syria, and ultimately Russia and China. During these two decades, it is estimated that various U.S. political circles, NATO, George Soros, and a considerable number of foundations and think-tanks have invested between \$30 and \$40 billion in building up pro-Western, anti-Russian networks and 2,200 (!) NGOs, with only one purpose: to break Ukraine away from any type of association with Russia, and finally to



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German Christian Democrat Elmar Brok, the chairman of the European Parliament’s Committee on Foreign Affairs, is a promoter of the opposition in Ukraine.

achieve its integration into the NATO military alliance and the complete encirclement of Russia.

These networks were also responsible for the so-called “Orange Revolution” in 2004. In Georgia, the same process of subversion was called the “Rose Revolution”; in the Arab world, the “Arab Spring”; in Russia, the “White Revolution” or “Russian Spring” (but there the attempt failed). Following the same *modus operandi*, the mob is also being used against the legitimate government of Thailand. After the outbreak of violence last November, President Putin said that the deployment of these networks was actually planned for the Ukrainian presidential election campaign in 2015, but when the Association Agreement with the

EU was put on hold at the EU summit in Vilnius, they were activated ahead of time.

One must take into account the overall strategy of the U.S., NATO, and the EU towards Russia and China, the *de facto* forward defense of NATO, whose expression is, *inter alia*, the deployment of Patriot missiles in Turkey (the Bundestag just approved the extension of that agreement); the stationing of the U.S. missile defense system in Eastern Europe on the Russian border; and the Air-Sea Battle doctrine against China. These policies, taken together, aim to eliminate these countries’ nuclear second-strike capability. Both Russia and China have made it unmistakably clear that they have no intention of capitulating to this threat, but would answer with effective countermeasures—their nuclear arsenals.

Europe Union’s Hypocrisy

The scandalous hypocrisy of the EU, the Konrad Adenauer Foundation, and such “democratic” monstrosities as Elmar Brok, are motivated by the long-standing encirclement strategy toward Russia and China which has been pursued since the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989. This strategy, which ultimately aims at regime change or capitulation to the empire of globalization on the part of both of these States, also ac-

1. The OUN/UPA spent the war fighting the Soviet Army and Soviet partisans, even though Bandera was imprisoned by the Nazis when he insisted on Ukrainian independence. For background, see the *International* section in this issue—ed.

cepts nuclear confrontation over Ukraine, as was clear from fantasies published in the *Economist*, in an article dated March 15, 2007. In this “futurological” essay, written as if from 2057, the house organ of the City of London envisioned a nuclear showdown over Ukraine “in the dangerous second decade of the century,” a confrontation to which the EU, in the scenario, is pushing the Obama Administration. “The Ukraine crisis,” wrote the *Economist*, as if from 2057, “became a triumph for the EU, ... promoting the decision to go for a further big round of enlargement.”

The EU’s policy toward Ukraine has shown its true colors. It should not be forgotten that the Greek and Spanish police treated demonstrators no less harshly at the behest of the Troika [IMF, European Central Bank, European Commission], when they demonstrated against the brutal austerity measures that were implemented on behalf of the banks. And the EU, of course, is no more concerned with the welfare of the people of Ukraine, whose economic plight was in significant part the result of the shock therapy of the 1990s. Otherwise, they would have simply agreed to Putin’s offer of a tripartite summit among the EU, Ukraine, and Russia. The fact that the EU rejected this proposal, reveals its

true intent: geopolitical confrontation!

Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov, at the Munich Security Conference today, raised the obvious question of what instigating riots has to do with democracy: “Why is no one condemning those who seize administration buildings, attack policemen and chant racist and anti-Semitic slogans? Why are prominent European politicians actually encouraging the moves in question, although in their own countries they immediately clamp down on any encroachments on the letter of the law?”

If the EU does not immediately correct its scandalous behavior, condemn the Nazi insurrection, stop all financial support to non-governmental organizations, and respond to Russia’s offer for a tripartite summit, then the immediate withdrawal of Germany from the European Union becomes an existential question of self-preservation.

The consequences of EU policy made it necessary for me to write a Declaration of Independence for the European nations (see last week’s *EIR*), as a very seriously intended platform for all of our survival.

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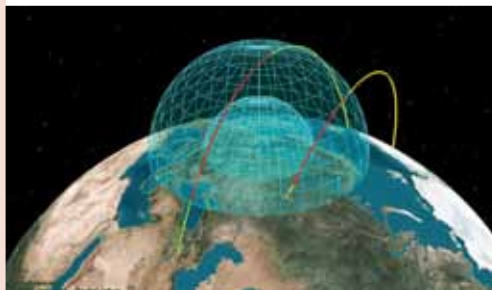
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