
Editorial

Are These Guys Clinically Insane?

What can have made Barack Obama declare that he's thinking of pulling Ukraine *de facto* into NATO and arming Kiev for war against Russia? And suicidally putting U.S. arms and military personnel into six other countries on Russia's border, under NATO Article 5, as he said, which requires the United States to defend those countries as if itself?

Does Obama think he's going to provoke a war and win it against Russia, with a NATO "forward brigade"?

Obama is being pushed along this crazy path by a group of former administration has-beens, acting through the Atlantic Council and Brookings Institution, who put out a report Feb. 1 demanding the U.S. and NATO arm the Kiev government for war against Russia. Media editorials and articles are beating this drum from the British daily press to the *New York Times*, which claims that the opposition of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff has been suppressed.

Starting a war with Russia on the strategic basis of a six-page report by a gaggle of former government officials? Michele Flournoy, Ivo Daalder, Strobe Talbott, James Stavridis—remember the names. Timothy Garton Ash of Oxford, planner of "color revolutions" against allies of Russia and China, who writes "Putin must be stopped with guns" in the London *Guardian*. Call them "the self-extinction movement." If they succeed in provoking Russia and China to war, they'll bring an end to human life on this planet—all of us. Are they clinically insane?

The answer is that Wall Street, and the City of London financial powers, insist on this war policy, because they are bankrupt. Their bankruptcy comes from two decades of unbridled speculative

bubbles and crashes, retarding and ruining the trans-Atlantic economies while the BRICS—particularly China—developed theirs apace and took scientific leadership of space exploration.

Now the megabankers insist on financial warfare against BRICS-allied nations, provocations, even the threat of thermonuclear war against Russia and China, to force them to let London and Wall Street continue to run the world.

Proof? It is now mooted that the Kiev regime in Ukraine is to be offered a second IMF package of loans in one year, and *The Economist*—which speaks for the City of London banks—demands that it be a \$20 billion package, and write-off of previous loans Ukraine admits it can't pay.

The same banks, the same IMF, the same London-allied political leaders like Cameron, Merkel and Obama, refuse—with a furious hard line—the same debt relief to Greece.

London wants Kiev to get \$20 billion in loans and debt write-off to go to full-out war with Russia. The Greek government, publicly opposed to the sanctions against Russia, is to be refused debt relief to develop its economy—even if this refusal means, as it does, breaking up the so-called Euro-zone.

Wall Street and the City *are* clinically insane.

The BRICS-allied nations have their own movement, a "mass movement for development," as Indian Prime Minister Modi calls it. A movement to rebuild the Silk Road, to bring fusion power fuel from the Moon. China has directly asked the United States to join the new international development banks of the BRICS, and jointly create the credit and construction of this economic development.

That is the choice we must make.