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Lacking Self-Worth—They're Running Scared

The Biden administration is hopelessly out of its league. The Secretary of State doesn't speak to his Russian counterpart and Admiral Kirby's assessment of Russian strength belongs in a RussiaGate/regime change fantasy. The pertinent question is what these fools will do after Ukraine is lost—and the only option for the US is nuclear weapons?

Russia is not poised to use nuclear weapons, but the US, when all is lost, could resort to nuclear war rather than pick up the phone. How do we know this? Biden hasn't spoken to Putin since 2022. Blinkin doesn't call the Chinese foreign minister or Lavrov.

Instead, they sit by, stupefied, while Zelensky announces plans to launch missile strikes on Moscow. Putin has slowed his offensive to show that he wants to negotiate. That falls on deaf ears. The US views Putin's slowing as a Russian stalemate. In reality, Putin is as stalemated as Ali standing over George Foreman—after the *rope-a-dope*.

Putin is a sober, serious man, not prone to risk. But now, with the West unwilling to talk peace, he is taking action on a larger scale. He's tired of StarLink being used to target Russia, so he is considering its removal from space along with all satellites used offensively against Russia. Will this cause a US nuclear response? Only time will tell.

Why am I somewhat certain that a 1st nuclear strike would be made by the US? Putin is not threatening the US with a 1st strike—instead he advises the world of facts: Each nuclear device used at Hiroshima/Nagasaki was 20 kilotons. Tactical nukes are in range of 75 kilotons. But Putin has alternatives before any need for a nuclear option.

He could level Kiev and its capacity to launch missiles. Beyond that there is Poland. Equipment from the West comes through Poland, namely through one large airbase. Putin's 2nd option is to destroy that airbase. Attacking a NATO nation (Poland), would trigger Article 5, which is not a call for military action, but for a NATO member meeting.

Would NATO approve a nuclear strike on Russia because Russia puts a stop to supplying its proxy war? Were NATO to do that, it would indicate that all is lost, that diplomacy/measured response counts for nothing—and we best put our affairs in order.

Is a US Article 5, nuclear response to be our future? Listening to Senator Chuck Grassley *parrot* various Ukraine lies he heard on MSNBC/CNN—anything is possible.

The US sits at a low point in its history, at the same time when Putin is stepping-up his game, sending a naval flotilla to Cuba. To what end? Russian tactics involve a more assertive plan for the way Russia deals with the US—something more of a *tit-for-tat*.

The US, having placed missiles along Russia's border has set the stage for a 2nd Cuban Missile Crisis wherein Putin introduces hypersonic, ballistic missiles into Cuba. Not nuclear, but conventional, high tech-missiles that the US has no means of stopping. Missiles with a capability to strike and destroy major American cities—in minutes.

Would this action be cause for a US nuclear response? Or would the hypocrisy be just too much? Biden's lack of acuity to act as referee for factions that have no idea of what they are doing or will do—reeks of danger. Consternation over Russia having the audacity to *return the favor*, doing to us the same thing we do to them could be enough to put a finger on the *red* button. Somehow, the hubris that allows us to dismiss Russian security concerns, combined with memories of JFK/Cuba, might allow a US 1st strike on Russia. Given 2 choices, it seems absurd: nuclear war or pick up the phone.

This is classical tragedy, where, in Act 1, if there is a rifle on the wall, that rifle will be used in Act 3. Biden's morons live-out global tragedy, without benefit from reading Shakespeare. How do you explain it to one who has not read history or lived-out life's tragedies? Not understanding the consequences between 2 possibilities, is tragedy—in the end you pay for both. Decisions over whether we live or die, belong to madmen.

What are the conditions under which a nation goes insane? After WW1, at the Treaty of Versailles, when the victors imposed unbearable conditions on Germany, that was the cause for the emergence of Adolph Hitler, and before that, hyperinflation of 1920's.

What did hyperinflation do to Germany? It's currency, renamed each year to disguise hyperinflation, created conditions where Americans/British could use dollars/pounds to buy German homes for under \$100. For a few ounces of gold—or 30 ounces of silver.

Now, a similar set of circumstances is gelling for the US. A local realty office, in my high-priced hometown, employing 20 realtors, has not 1 listing on the board. To hear them talk, it's temporary. As soon as inflation comes back down—we return to normal. For now, nobody is listing their home—they ask a higher price than buyers qualify for.

Americans don't realize we are about to be bit on the ass. Price of goods depends on the dollar's purchasing power—which is going nowhere but down. Soon, homeowners (renters with mortgages), burdened with debt, will be forced to sell, into even fewer buyers, and home prices will cascade downward—bought up for a few gold ounces.

Biden may be counting on German industry moving to the US because he blew up NordStream—that won't save us either. The reward for that, when Germans finally come to terms with what we did to them, will gain for the US, the animosity of Europe.

There's never been a time such as the present, when the economy was on the brink, and the drums of war sounding ever-louder. It's even tougher to know that our leaders don't recognize what the drums are saying. Hopefully, cooler heads, Putin and Xi, can find a way to mollify the West. But, given the abysmal level of US leader's self-worth/awareness, do we get to live out Randy Newman's 1972 hit, "Let's Drop the Big One"?

I'm assuming that, as is the case, historically, sanity will prevail—there will be no nuclear war and we can then deal with lesser issues such as 15 minute cities, climate crisis, WHO/WEF madness, and a dollar that over 24 months becomes worth a dime.

On the subject of dimes, I sold my last motorcycle, gave away my riding gear and drove over to Medford to pick up \$250 face, 90% silver dimes. I did the same thing in February, and though silver is up \$7 bucks, premiums are lower, and dimes are cheap.

Soon, a handful of 90% dimes will buy the house next door. Do you have 10 sense?

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