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*Will the US Go Down Without a Fight?*

Putin, in a speech this week, reacted to Sec. Blinkin's pronouncement that Ukraine will clear its path to membership, at the NATO summit this summer. The consequence for Ukraine attaining NATO status would trigger Article 5, with all 32 members going to war against Russia for its having invaded and waged war on a NATO member nation.

Putin states that Russia cannot fight against 32 nations, and, just as US treachery forced Russia to invade Ukraine, Russia would be forced to use nuclear weapons.

It is not widely shared that NATO, during Germany's re-unification, promised to never include Ukraine (which may have been the first major lie told to Russia relating to 'rules-based order'). Russia's history with Ukraine is a horrific tale. Germany invaded Russia (Operation Barbarossa), through Ukraine, transforming that nation into the most prominent Nazi sympathizer—which it remains today. Russia has reason for concern.

Breaking promises, the US expanded NATO along Russia's borders, turning Ukraine into a US/CIA operative, tasked with promoting 'regime change' and dismembering Russia. In the end, years of relentless US espionage/murder caused Russia to invade.

Those are facts, but no more important than other facts. Any, who because of 'Trump derangement syndrome', voted for Joe Biden hastened the demise of America. A 'compliant left' of 'somnolent sleepwalkers', for whom 'not knowing is seemingly preferable to knowing', voted for Biden's, death of America. Whatever your disposition towards Donald Trump, he's a patriotic/nationalist who would in no way abide US disintegration.

Biden's supporters bear primary responsibility for a coming-apart of the US. Reducing military preparedness, his Sec/Def 'softened the battlefield' by mandating an alleged toxic bio-weapon on the entire military, discharging the noncompliant, and purportedly adversely affecting the battle-ready-ness of 1/3 of US troops. Adding to that, the US military is the largest 'trans' employer (offering taxpayer-funded 'gender transition'), for a condition the military terms: a 'mental health problem'—requiring ongoing psychological counseling/physical healing that renders these soldiers unfit for battle.

Which brings me to my last article: *A World—In the Grip of Madness*. To understand the US, politically or economically requires an overview of the US function in the world. I see the US as a 'drug-addled monster, driving in the wrong direction, along the global interstate'. In my article, I discussed the level of danger caused by the US proxy war in Ukraine, meddling in the South China Sea, and a new addition—horror in Palestine.

I expected blowback to my critique of an Israeli/iUS, 'forever united—no matter what'—that may bring nuclear war sooner than Taiwan, or even, Ukraine. Few of my readers responded. Are they unconcerned about nuclear holocaust? I re-wrote that article and will send it out later today. Hopefully some will respond, even if unfavorably.

It seems almost silly, at a juncture where the end of the world looms, to talk about 'free speech'/Constitution/Bill of Rights, but that's where this discussion belongs. In my articles, there are only 2 motifs, liberty and control, and articles having to do with control involve the same cast of characters, with the same operating premise for the world.

Global conflict spins around US 'rules-based order'. For that 'mandate' to prevail, international law needs to be abolished. The 'test cases' to destroy international law—replacing it with 'rules-base order' (tyranny over humanity), are found in alliances between US/NATO, US/Israel, US/ISIS, US/Taiwan. In each, the goal is the same: wanton destruction of historical agreements, so as to make 'rules-based order'—the norm.

Meanwhile, back in the States', everything possible is done to destroy the republic, 'Factionalism' disguised as 'inclusivity', is used for a quick descent through 'mob rule' democracy, into anarchy/chaos. Then comes the real tyrant, presented as a champion of the people—there to save the democracy. Actually he 'peddles' Satanic—feudal hell.

Keep in mind that not long ago the US advocated for free speech and an acceptance that every voice had a right be heard—as our majority view. Now, that has become the minority position, and many who used to champion free speech and open discussion, now line-up behind a mission to debase, defame, and remove the First Amendment.

It was never well understood by Americans that cumbersome, unrepresentative selection of Senators, Electoral College, and various checks and balance were made law by the founders to assure us time to stop either democracy (mob rule), or Executive tyranny from taking control. That it was understood by the intelligentsia was sufficient.

As Americans we need to understand how this time-line of tyranny played-out—how and when each 'check and balance' came under attack. We need to understand that elites did not suddenly pull the levers of power at the same instant, rather, over a long period of time, they incrementally striped-away those powers vested to the people.

The time-line that brought on the censure of open discussion was incremental and couldn't have happened unless certain events took place—over years. Now, as Putin reminds, that Ukraine is strategic to the US but existential to Russia, the US Constitution and Bill of Rights is existential to Americans—if we have any hope to survive.

In future articles I will discuss each 'check and balance' that was intended to leave the power in the hands of the people, and how each has been disposed of. For now, let me posit that, in leaving the gold standard in 1971, we traded a world of economic reason for unlimited credit/debt, and instead got an unforeseen consequence that by necessity, ends in tyranny. Did abandoning sound money allow our rights to be taken?

It's simple/it's complex—requiring an in-depth look. Could this one thing, abandoning the gold standard, have made possible most of the horror we face today? The answer is yes. Charles Hugh Smith, an economist I enjoy, has a recent article in which he sees no better outcome under a gold standard than under 'fiat currency'. My next challenge.

I want to re-iterate how vital it is to connect the dots, globally, to understand prospects for the future of the West/US. Though I'm not inclined to predict: everything will be done to support the economy in 2024. But, I see no path for the dollar, after that.

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