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EDITORIAL

War and Peace in the Post-Nord Stream Era

Oct. 1 (EIRNS)—September 26, 2022, the day that the two Nord Stream gas pipelines were sabotaged in an act of international terrorism—will go down in history as a decisive turning point in the global strategic situation. Either that event will be the opening shot in a rapidly escalating series of

U.S.-U.K.-NATO extreme provocations against Russia—up to and including actually launching tactical nuclear weapons on Ukrainian territory, which would then be blamed on Russia, and which NATO would then “respond to” with nuclear strikes against Russia itself. Or, the stunning implications of the Nord Stream sabotage will serve to wake up sufficient forces in the United States and Europe to derail the current drive by the Western Establishment for end-game confrontation with Russia and China. That, in turn, would open the door to serious international deliberation on a new security and development paradigm to provide for Mankind’s continuing progress.

One way or the other, the issue will be decided in a matter of weeks—not years.

The key counter-intelligence question of “*cui bono*” regarding the Nord Stream attack, already points the finger of suspicion at U.S.-U.K.-NATO security and intelligence capabilities. If a competent forensic investigation determines that that is indeed what happened—that the United States and the U.K. intentionally destroyed Europe’s physical economic lifeline, sinking hundreds of millions of their “allies” into deindustrialization and penury, not to mention the prospect of unending war—that will uncork a political explosion that could well kick over the entire strategic chessboard.

The thought process will go like this: “If the U.S.-U.K. blew up Nord Stream, and then blamed it on the Russians—which is obviously ridiculous—what’s to stop them from dropping a tactical nuke and then pointing the finger at Russia? After all, they bombed the Zaporozhye nuclear power plant, and blamed Russia for bombing their own plant! They committed atrocities in Bucha and Izyum which they tried to ascribe to Russia. They lied through their teeth about ‘weapons of mass destruction’ in Iraq, and expected the world to believe them. They staged the infamous Gulf of Tonkin incident to justify an illegal war in Southeast Asia. And their daddies and grand-daddies orchestrated the Reichstag Fire to carry out their intended fascist coup in Germany. Just how stupid do they think we are?!”

Very.

British imperial philosopher Bertrand Russell—the man whom Lyndon LaRouche accurately described as the most evil person of the 20th century—tried to make a science of brainwashing entire populations to believe transparent lies, such as the assertion that “snow is black.” In his 1951 book, *The Impact of Science on Society*, Russell wrote prophetically:

“I think the subject which will be of most importance politically is mass psychology... Its importance has been enormously increased by the growth of modern methods of propaganda.... The social psychologists of the future will have a number of classes of school children on whom they will try different methods of producing an unshakable conviction that snow is black.... Not much can be done unless indoctrination begins before the age of ten ... verses set to music and repeatedly intoned are very effective.”

This is the same Bertrand Russell who fanatically advocated Malthusian population reduction with the aid of periodic plagues; the same Russell who also urged that a preemptive nuclear attack be launched on the Soviet Union in the immediate aftermath of World War II.

Russian President Vladimir Putin delivered a speech on Sept. 30 which bluntly rejected the entire current paradigm based on a web of lies; described the extraordinarily dangerous strategic situation the world faces; and then provided a suggestion of the direction in which a solution is to be found:

“The truth has been drowned in an ocean of myths, illusions and fakes, using extremely aggressive propaganda, lying like Goebbels. The more unbelievable the lie, the quicker people will believe it—that is how they operate, according to this principle.

“But people cannot be fed with printed dollars and euros. You can’t feed them with those pieces of paper, and the virtual, inflated capitalization of western social media companies can’t heat their homes.... You can’t feed anyone with paper—you need food; and you can’t heat anyone’s home with these inflated capitalizations—you need energy.”

Putin further stated that “The West is ready to cross every line to preserve the neo-colonial system which allows it to live off the world, to plunder it thanks to the domination of the dollar and technology, to collect an actual tribute from humanity.” If Russia is defeated and dismembered, he added, “I believe next in line are other countries of Asia, Latin America, Africa and the Middle East, as well as current U.S. partners and allies.”

Putin was emphatic on this point: “Let me repeat that the dictatorship of the Western elites targets all societies, including the citizens of Western countries themselves. This is a challenge to all. This complete renunciation of what it means to be human, the overthrow of faith and traditional values, and the suppression of freedom are coming to resemble a ‘religion in reverse’—pure Satanism.”

Putin also took note of the growing resistance in the West itself to these suicidal policies. “As I have already said, we have many like-minded people in Europe and the United States, and we feel and see their support. An essentially emancipatory, anti-colonial movement against unipolar hegemony is taking shape in the most diverse countries and societies. Its power will only grow with time. It is this force that will determine our future geopolitical reality.... And I repeat: things will never be the same.”

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STRATEGIC WAR DANGER

Russians See U.S. as Main Beneficiary of Nord Stream Sabotage

Oct. 1 (EIRNS)—Russian President Vladimir Putin, in his remarks on the accession of four regions formerly of Ukraine into Russia, charged that the U.S. and its allies have shifted from sanctions on Russia to outright sabotage. “But the Anglo-Saxons believe sanctions are no longer enough and now they have turned to subversion,” he said. “It seems incredible but

it is a fact—by causing explosions on Nord Stream’s international gas pipelines passing along the bottom of the Baltic Sea, they have actually embarked on the destruction of Europe’s entire energy infrastructure. It is clear to everyone who stands to gain. Those who benefit are responsible, of course.”

Russian Security Council Secretary Nikolay Patrushev told a meeting of the Commonwealth Independent States (CIS) foreign intelligence chiefs in Moscow on Sept. 29 that it is the U.S. that benefits from the sabotage of the two pipelines, especially economically. “More and more often, serious questions are being asked of the organizers of these smear campaigns (against Russia). For instance, literally from the very first minutes after the reports about explosions at the Nord Stream 1 and Nord Stream 2 gas pipelines had emerged, the West embarked on a vigorous campaign to find the culprits. Nevertheless, it is obvious that the main beneficiary, first and foremost, economically, is the U.S.,” he said.

At the Kremlin, Russian Presidential spokesman Dmitry Peskov termed the sabotage an “unprecedented act of state terrorism,” which requires a serious international investigation. “Obviously, such an unprecedented act of, one might say, state terrorism, cannot and should not go without a serious international investigation. Of course, cooperation within the framework of such an investigation will be required,” the Kremlin spokesman stressed, reported TASS.

However, TASS reports, Peskov remained mum on whether the Russian Federation is ready to provide data indicating a Western trace to the state of emergency at the Nord Stream pipelines, mentioned by Sergey Naryshkin, who heads the Foreign Intelligence Service (SVR). “I can’t answer that question yet,” he said.

TASS observes that earlier, Naryshkin had said that Russia’s Foreign Intelligence Service possesses materials indicating a Western trail to the terrorist attack on the Nord Stream 1 and Nord Stream 2 gas pipelines. He also recalled that an investigation is underway in Russia following the explosions along the gas pipelines.

At the UN Security Council, Russian Permanent UN Representative Vassily Nebenzia called for a thorough international investigation into the damage to the pipelines, one that must include Russia. “We hope that you (Western members of the UNSC) will refrain from engaging in Russophobic verbal games that defy common sense, similar to those that you used in relation to Ukrainian strikes on the Zaporozhye Nuclear Power Plant,” Nebenzia said. Nebenzia added that “Any international investigation into what happened can claim impartiality only if Russia takes part in it.”

As Patrushev had earlier, Nebenzia also pointed to the U.S. as the main beneficiary of the leaks. “The main question is whether the Nord Stream incident benefits the U.S.. It certainly does. U.S. liquefied natural gas suppliers should be celebrating the manifold increase in LNG supplies to the European continent,” he said. “We had no reason to destroy with our own hands the project in which we had invested heavily and from which we could have had a significant economic return.” Nebenzia’s statement is posted in full on the Russian mission’s website, as is the ambassador’s interchange afterward with media.

Secretary Patrushev on Russian Security Council Says U.S. Trying to Revive Fascism in Europe

Oct. 1 (EIRNS)—Secretary of the Russian Security Council Nikolai Patrushev, during remarks to the Sept. 29 meeting of CIS foreign intelligence chiefs, charged that the U.S. is trying to revive fascism in Europe. “Attempts to revive fascism in Europe are an extremely dangerous threat from the arsenal of Western hybrid instruments. Such work has been carried out by Washington virtually since the end of World War II,” Patrushev said, reported TASS. In his opinion, “this is why the horrors and madness perpetrated by Ukrainian neo-Nazis are being carefully silenced by the Western media.”

“Moreover, they question the expediency of denazification in Ukraine, which has been turned by the Anglo-Saxons into the main global bridgehead of far-right extremism,” he continued. “However, there is no

doubt that these artificially created neo-Nazi movements by the West will eventually meet the fate of their predecessors.”

Patrushev drew attention to the fact that “through the efforts of Washington and its henchmen, Ukraine, in fact, represents the largest black market for weapons.” He observed that “in this respect, the probability of weapons supplied to Kiev by the West falling into the hands of extremist and terrorist structures has increased dramatically, which requires increased joint efforts to uncover and suppress channels for their distribution from the territory of Ukraine.”

One Man’s Deadly Terrorist Sabotage Is Another Man’s ‘Tremendous Strategic Opportunity’

Oct. 1 (EIRNS)—At a Sept. 30 joint press conference at the State Department with visiting Canadian Foreign Minister Mélanie Joly, Secretary of State Tony Blinken was asked to comment “on the subject of Nord Stream ... regardless of responsibility, obviously the energy supply situation in Europe is bad and only going to get worse as a result of this.” To which Blinken replied:

“Look, there’s a lot of hard work to do to make sure that countries and partners get through the winter. Europe itself has taken very significant steps to both decrease demand but also look at ways to pursue the transition to renewables at the same time. And ultimately this is also a tremendous opportunity. It’s a tremendous opportunity to once and for all remove the dependence on Russian energy and thus to take away from Vladimir Putin the weaponization of energy as a means of advancing his imperial designs. That’s very significant and that offers tremendous strategic opportunity for the years to come.”

Zelenskyy’s Demand for Instant NATO Membership Doesn’t Fly

Oct. 1 (EIRNS)—In the midst of yesterday’s momentous events in Moscow, Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy went into a mad rush for speedy Ukrainian membership in NATO. Ukraine is already a *de facto* member of the alliance, he argued. “Today, Ukraine is applying to make it

de jure under a procedure consistent with our significance for the protection of our entire community.” But his demand didn’t fly—at least not at this point.

At the White House, National Security Advisor Jake Sullivan said this was a bad time to talk about Ukrainian membership in NATO. “The United States has been clear for decades that we support an open-door policy for NATO. Any decision on NATO membership is between the 30 Allies and the countries aspiring to join,” he said during a White House press briefing. “Right now, our view is that the best way for us to support Ukraine is through practical, on-the-ground support in Ukraine, and that the process in Brussels should be taken up at a different time.”

Opinion on Capitol Hill is reported to be divided. Nancy Pelosi, when asked by *Politico* about Zelenskyy’s NATO bid yesterday, refused to endorse it, but said she supports some sort of a “security guarantee” for Kiev. This came after the House voted up a continuing resolution to keep the government open past midnight last night which includes more than \$12 billion in aid to the Kiev regime.

COLLAPSING WESTERN ECONOMIC SYSTEM

EU Energy Commissioner Considers, This Winter Will Be ‘Difficult,’ Next Winter Will Be Worse

Oct. 1 (EIRNS)—EU energy officials met on Sept. 30 to address skyrocketing energy prices in Europe and come up with a package of emergency measures. After the meeting, EU Energy Commissioner Kadri Simson of Estonia told the press: “Ministers were concerned, as am I, that this will not be an easy winter for us, and the next winter will be even more difficult.”

They agreed to (try to) limit excessive profiteering by energy companies—which is meaningless under the current regimen of free market privatization—but they could not reach agreement on putting a price cap on wholesale natural gas. This self-defeating proposal was originally floated by U.S. Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen, and it became one of the key

demands issued to the European Commission by a group of 15 EU member states ahead of the meeting. The European Commission, however, warned that such a move would weaken the bloc's ability to secure gas supplies in the global market. The issue will reportedly be discussed at a later date, according to Lithuanian Energy Minister Dainius Kreivys.

A number of European countries have flat-out refused to go along with any such policy. For example, Austria's Energy Minister Leonor Gewessler said that Austria cannot support any price ceilings on imported gas supplies which are necessary for energy security. "I am aware that the various EU members have differing views on the topic, but the others must be clear that Austria is dependent on natural gas imports and on Russian gas imports," she told reporters before the meeting of EU energy ministers in Brussels. "In all these proposals, I have not seen any certainty that the partners supplying us would still deliver enough gas to Europe if we are not prepared to pay the price demanded."

Eurozone Inflation Reaches Historic 10%

Oct. 1 (EIRNS)—The entire Eurozone, comprised of the 19 countries that use the euro as their currency, now has double-digit inflation, with consumer prices rising to a record 10% in September, compared to a year earlier. In August the yearly rate was 9.1%, EU statistics agency Eurostat reported Sept. 30. A year ago, inflation was as low as 3.4%. Energy prices led the way, with a 40.8% year-on-year increase in September. Food, alcohol and tobacco jumped 11.8%

Prices in Germany rose 10.9%, hitting double digits for the first time in decades.

British Railway Workers Strike Today

Oct. 1 (EIRNS)—All three British railway unions RMT, Aslef and TSSA, are on strike today, Oct. 1, which will reduce traffic to 11% of normal operations. The 24-hour strike is timed to coincide with the start of the Conservative Party conference in Birmingham. That strike action will be

followed by one on Oct. 5 by drivers in Aslef, and Oct. 8 by the RMT union.

Aslef General Secretary Mick Whelan said more strikes were likely to follow, since negotiations were far from a resolution. He said: “The government is making it more and more difficult. They are telling firms we can’t have a pay rise, and lifting the cap on bankers bonuses to four times their salary. Food and energy prices are going through the roof, mortgage rates and rent—while we’ve seen the top 350 FTSE firms increase their profits by 73%. Inflation isn’t being driven by workers’ pay, it’s profiteering.”

The strikers are far from isolated. A poll by Ipsos Mori shows more 43% of those queried support the unions while only 31% are against. Fully 52% say they have sympathy with the rail unions, and 40% say they have little or none. As for the government-owned Network Rail, 64% have no sympathy and for the private operators, 52% have no sympathy.

UNITED STATES

White House Rejects Suggestions U.S. Behind Sabotage of Nord Stream Pipelines

Oct. 1 (EIRNS)—The Biden Administration is bristling at suggestions that the U.S. was somehow behind the sabotage of the Nord Stream 1 and 2 pipelines. At the White House yesterday, National Security Advisor Jake Sullivan accused Russia of doing the things it was accusing others of doing, but at the same time he wasn’t ready to flat-out accuse Russia of blowing the pipelines up. “Well, first, Russia has done what it frequently does when it is responsible for something, which is make accusations that it was really someone else who did it. We’ve seen this repeatedly over time,” he said. “But the President was also clear today that there is more work to do on the investigation before the United States government is prepared to make an attribution in this case.”

While a definitive determination will have to wait for the outcome of the investigation, “what we can say unequivocally is the suggestions Russia has

made about the United States and other countries are flat-out false,” Sullivan said. “Russia knows they’re false. But, of course, this is part of their playbook.”

Earlier, President Biden said that Russia was “pumping out disinformation and lies” about the pipelines and that the U.S. and its allies will conduct an investigation “at the appropriate moment” to find out what really happened. “We don’t know that yet. Just don’t listen to what Putin’s saying—what he’s saying we know is not true,” Biden said.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Russia, China Step Up Integration of Satellite Navigation Systems

Oct. 1 (EIRNS)—Russia’s state space company, Roscosmos, announced Sept. 27 that Russia and China have signed contracts for each to set up three stations of their satellite navigation systems in the other country, thus allowing closer cooperation between the two, Russia’s GLONASS and China’s Beidou System (BDS), which provide the same functions as the American GPS.

“Used simultaneously, the Russian and Chinese systems - GLONASS and Beidou - will increase the accuracy and reliability of navigation,” Roscosmos CEO Yury Borisov stated, which is why the two countries are interested in wider cooperation between both the systems, and “the navigation technologies based on them.” In reporting the news, TASS noted that possible cooperation between the two systems might encompass communication and surveillance had been mooted in July by former Roscosmos director Dmitry Rogozin.

Russia’s GLONASS stations are to be located in Changchun, Urumqi and Shanghai, and the Chinese ones, in Obninsk, Irkutsk and Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky, Roscosmos announced.

The two countries signed the 2021-2025 Russian-Chinese Roadmap for Cooperation in Satellite Navigation on Nov. 29, 2021, “which includes

plans for the integrated and innovative development of GLONASS and BDS,” *Global Times* had reported at the time.

OTHER

Big Potential for Social Explosion in Germany

Oct. 1 (EIRNS)—Germany’s NachDenkSeiten website reported a breakthrough on Friday:

“Yesterday, Sept. 29, well over 500,000 people visited [NachDenkSeiten](#). This is a new record ... we would like to ask the new readers as well as the previous ones to spread the word in their circles that the NachDenkSeiten exist and that they will help you to find your way in this highly manipulated world.... The highly manipulative way in which the established media dealt with the sabotage in the Baltic Sea alone is a prime example of the deception that 84 million people in Germany are now exposed to every day. We can’t let things go on like this because the danger of war is growing at the same time as the disinformation and manipulation....”

German Equivalent of CCD Exposed

Oct. 1 (EIRNS)—The NachDenSeiten German website exposes the existence of a centralized fake narrative coordination group in the German government set up to counter and make impossible any information on and from Russia, in a two-part article, “[Document Leak: How the Federal Government Is Working on a ‘Narrative Synchronization’ on the Ukraine War](#),” whose part 1 has been posted. The website got the information through a whistleblower leak, who hints that even more than what is in these documents is going on behind the scenes.

“The document is entitled ‘Current Activities of the Departments and Authorities against Disinformation in Connection with the RUS War against UKR,’ comprises a total of 10 pages and lists the corresponding activities of the federal ministries and subordinate authorities in detail as of June 27th, 2022. And these activities pack a punch in their entirety.” In its first part, NachDenkseiten author Florian Warweg focuses on the roles of

the Ministry of the Interior (BMI), Foreign Office (AA), Federal Press Office (BPA) and the Federal Government Commissioner for Culture and Media (BKM). In the second part, the exposé looks into the activities of the Federal Ministry for Digital Affairs and Transport (BMDV), Federal Ministry for Family Affairs (BMFSFJ) and the Federal Defense Ministry (BMVg).

“The list begins with the SPD-led Federal Ministry of the Interior (BMI) under Nancy Faeser. The Federal Ministry of the Interior is to coordinate the ‘detection and defense against hybrid threats’ in a leading and ‘interdepartmental’ manner. This is managed by the ‘UAG RUS/UKR’ (UAG is the ministerial term for sub-working groups). In this context, among other things, a situation report ‘Hybrid Threats’ with a focus on Russia-Ukraine is to be prepared every two weeks. The so-called ‘10-point resilience plan’ listed in the document is particularly striking.”

NachDenkSeiten calls attention to several points in this “resilience plan,” as the spread of government-controlled information to institutions—including the Bundestag, media, and particularly abominable, to schools to inoculate children against “disinformation” on the Ukraine war.

As for the Foreign Ministry contribution to this project, NachDenkSeiten reports that “The document on ‘Measures under the RUS/UKR Communication Concept’ of the AA states that:

“ ‘• Observation and analysis of current Russian narratives and disinformation.

“ ‘• Creation of a ‘living document’ that ‘deconstructs/debunks classic and current Russian narratives on the Ukraine war’

“ ‘• Promoting projects to build resilience to (especially Russian) disinformation(...).’

“According to the present document, the AA networks primarily (‘intensively and bilaterally’) with representatives of the USA on questions of disinformation. The International Partnership To Counter State-

Sponsored Disinformation (IPCSD) and the Counter Foreign Interference Group (CFI) are explicitly mentioned in this context.”

“The Federal Press Office (BPA), together with the AA, is leading the so-called ‘EG disinformation’ (when NDS asked by telephone on Sept. 27, for what EG stands for in this context, the BPA responsible boss on duty could not provide any information). According to the document, the BPA is responsible for ‘raising awareness of the issue and dealing with disinformation within the government.’ In addition, it offers ‘interdepartmental training courses’ on disinformation. Juicy in this connection: The training is not provided by BPA itself, but by private third-party providers such as the ‘Institute for Strategic Dialogue’ (ISD) and the ‘Business Council for Democracy’ of the Hertie Foundation.”

The London-based ISD, “powering solutions to extremism, hate and disinformation,” has an explicitly Trans-Atlantic orientation. The Hertie department store group years ago gave birth to a foundation running a number of dubious activities, with seminars in Berlin. (There is more in Warweg’s lengthy article, but this may already give an idea.)