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The US State Department of War Considers Its Alternatives

There was a song, maybe the Bellamy Brothers, with a line: "It don't matter where you played before, California's a brand new game." If we expand 'California' to 'America', the song suggests that for the US economy these past weeks is 'a brand new game'.

As I and others have suggested, the West has all its chips on the table over Ukraine—with an intention to break Russia and achieve regime change—which has failed miserably: The ruble, which fell by almost half is now back to pre-invasion levels with prospects looking even better given Putin's demands that trade done for Russian exports be done in the ruble—making the ruble international rather than broken-down.

Biden (acting for neocons hellbent on war), is not his own man and may have already taken us past the brink—to a place from which there is no way back. Back from what? From a realization that Ukraine is not our ally and has been used by the West for the purpose of destabilizing Russia, resulting in unimaginable misery and death for Ukrainians. Yet, the lies persist: Ukraine is mounting counter-offensives and winning. They are not—their army in Donbas is being slaughtered. And although Ukrainian forces greatly outnumber the Russians, this is a total mismatch—one in which Putin is proceeding methodically and patiently, step by step, to a pre-determined outcome.

Meanwhile the world is splitting in 2. A world where Fed Chairman Powell admits the possibility of dual reserve currencies. But that is not to be—China has no desire to become a reserve currency after seeing the consequences for the US. Instead what we are looking at is a dual-polarity world, one side, the West, and the other, the East.

The division is sorting-out in terms of wealth—which translates to oil and gold. Major OPEC nations are accepting the reality of a dual-polarity world. Nigeria has agreed to accept yuan in trade for oil and Saudi Arabia is in negotiations to accept yuan as payment. Both see a US in disarray, neither capable of leading, nor of military supremacy.

China has all but entered a mutual defense pact with Russia and is willing to support the ruble (which Putin doesn't need), with the yuan. The neocon-proposed guerrilla war in Ukraine is a fantasy because Russia, once having gained its objectives, will be out of there. Until then, that leaves Poland, the one nation in proximity to Russia, willing to risk war to put Russia 'back in the box'. Because Poland is a NATO member, it's a 'flash point', as the West portrays Russia, bogged down, with Poland as its 2nd front.

With Poland's animosity towards Russia, Putin and Lavrov are aware Poland would

agree to be a staging area to go after Russia in Ukraine. Because Putin doesn't bluff, is he willing to attack Poland preemptively—as he did Ukraine—for similar reasons? As bad as was the situation for Russia before invading (80K UKR troops massed on Donbas border to invade in March?), might Putin take the chance to bloody NATO's nose in Poland. Would he risk taking a decisive step to change the nature of the game?

For the past 50 years, the US has experienced a curious phenomena. Vietnam ended, not in Saigon, but in the streets of the US. Up until mass protests that caused Lyndon Johnson to not seek a 2nd term, the 'slogan' for America was a bumper sticker: *Love It—Or Leave It*. No questioning of the war was allowed. The bumper sticker for the West now reads: *Love It—Or We Freeze Your Assets*. We play a sanctioning game.

Are we supporting the 'wrong' side in Ukraine? With all the 'flag-waving' and social network removals for asking questions, how do Americans determine what's really going on? Is the West capable of mounting an opposition to the 'accepted narrative'?

If Russia's demand to be paid for its exports in rubles prevails, the US will again be proven powerless in a world that comes to realize 2 things: US gas tankers can provide only 1/10 of Europe's needs—not enough to save Europe or its economy. And Europe's ploy to 'group purchase' NG will have no effect—something akin to a buying club to negotiate a better price for gold, but at a time when gold is no longer available.

The unheralded 'bombshell' for the West, though, is Russia pegging the ruble to gold in the \$1600 range. For now, this is below the 'official' price of gold and is a temporary backing. But when viewed alongside the end of the petrodollar, and the ruble becoming an international exchange currency, this signals an end for dollar purchasing power.

Russia will not lose this war because, for Americans or Europeans, this conflict is not worth their lives or their children's lives. But, for Russians this fight is existential. And, if Putin were disposed (which won't happen), his likely replacement, Dmitri Medvedev, though seen by the West as presentable and malleable, is a hawk. Putin is the dove.

The push for war with Russia does not come from the US military—sadly it is the US State Department, functioning as the War Department. The same cast of characters that served the Cheney/Bush regime, then reappeared in the Obama, 'Department of Offense', need to be honored as the architects for Ukraine—the 'Victoria Nuland War'.

The insane left, with a mission to bring about hostilities with Russia by forcing Putin to invade, are the self-same scoundrels planning to confiscate America's guns, making us prey to aggressors, both foreign and domestic—though our main enemy is within.

'Globalist neocons, for now, have lost the 'Covid Wars', and are losing in Ukraine. With WW3 as the default, how might they hold back from inept proposals: detaining Russian ships on the high seas and seizing Russian property that 'might' have been gained through illegal activity. Wouldn't it be easier to blame 'known malfeasants'?

Americans have long been aware of Hunter's laptop, so why not let the Biden's take the fall for Putin's invasion, the bio-labs, inflation: 80% of all dollars created has occurred over a couple years, which caused the inflation, not Putin or greedy capitalists.

This plan might save Romney, Pelosi, and Kerry from embarrassment having to do with Ukraine. Though bringing a 'howl and cry' over an illegal election, one in which Americans were lied to about Hunter's laptop, by social media, network media, and intelligence agencies, this pivot might forestall a dollar collapse—just til the 22 elections?

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