

US/NATO RISKING WWII FOR CAPITALIST PROFITS

War with Russia Only Benefits Wall Street, Big Oil and War Profiteers

US Wars Start with Lies

Pres. George W. Bush and Congress said Iraq had weapons of mass destruction (WMDs). That was a lie. In 2003, the US invaded Iraq claiming falsely that they played a role in the destruction of the World Trade Center. In 2006, Bush admitted publicly that Iraq had nothing to do with that attack. Bush's war killed hundreds of thousands of men, women, and children.

Pres. Johnson and Congress claimed that a US naval vessel was attacked by North Vietnamese torpedo boats in the Gulf of Tonkin and years of war followed. In 2005, tapes revealed the truth. "Hell, those damn, stupid sailors were just shooting at flying fish," said President Johnson. More than 3,000,000 lives were lost in Vietnam, and trillions of dollars tossed down the rathole of war.

Now the US claims Russia is threatening Ukraine. As if the US cared about defending the Ukrainian people! It was the US that organized the overthrow of the elected Ukrainian government in 2014 to install a puppet fascist regime. Only after that coup did the people of Crimea vote in a referendum to leave Ukraine and rejoin



Russia. The people of Donetsk and Lugansk in the Eastern region of Donbass also left Ukraine because of the government's Nazi ties. Why aren't we told of the 150,000 US-armed and trained Ukrainian forces amassed at the border of the Donbass, ready to massacre the anti-fascist defenders of the east at any moment?

What's behind the US drive to war?

"People say we're not fighting for oil. Of course, we are. They talk about America's national interest. What the hell do you think they're talking about? We're not there for figs."

—Chuck Hagel, Former U.S. Secretary of Defense speaking about the Iraq War in 2007

"We're keeping the oil. We have the oil. The oil is secure. We left troops behind only for the oil."

—Trump, speaking about Syria, 2019

The faces change but motives don't. Every US war is fought to make rich men richer.

The current drive to war with Russia is being pushed by the owners of fossil fuel companies and military corporations. Stocks of Lockheed Martin—the world's largest war profiteering corporation—are already up 10% this year. Meanwhile it's been since 2009 that the minimum wage was raised to \$7.25/hr.

Biden's own son Hunter was given a seat on the board of a Ukrainian oil

and gas company less than four months after the U.S. helped to overthrow the Ukrainian government in 2014. He was paid \$80,000 a month while Ukrainian workers were being laid off by the thousands. Having sucked the life out of the Ukraine, the US now has its eyes on the mineral wealth of Donbass and Russia.

We workers have no interest in another bloody war for capitalist profits.

We need money for healthcare, childcare, income support, and Ida recovery, not war!



The monthly child supplement has been cut. Millions face eviction and foreclosure. COVID is killing thou-

sands every day. Yet Congress is rushing to spend another \$500 million on weapons to send to the Ukrainian army and its allied Nazi paramilitaries. That will bring the total bill to \$1.2 billion for weapons for Ukraine in 2022 alone. That's \$1.2 billion for U.S. military corporations that already loot 65% of our federal tax dollars.

**FEED THE PEOPLE
NOT THE PENTAGON**

STOP ARMING NAZIS IN UKRAINE WITH OUR MONEY!



image above: Meeting between US military advisers and the Azov Battalion.

image at right: US-backed Ukrainian National Guard flying NATO flag, the flag of the Azov battalion, and the Nazi swastika.



Yes, that's right. Biden and Congress are funding and training the January 6ers of Ukraine. These people are no different from the KKK and the Nazis that marched in Charlottesville, Virginia and they are being armed with US-made tanks and rocket launchers. They are bombing and murdering trade unionists and carrying out terrorist attacks on Roma and LGBTQ people.

In the independent republics of Donetsk and Lugansk between Ukraine and Russia, people have taken up arms to defend themselves against these Nazis. Now these anti-fascist fighters in the Donbass are facing an attack by 150,000 Ukrainian troops. This is the invasion that we should be worried about.

A message from
Andrey Kochetov,
a labor leader in the
Lugansk People's Republic
(Donbass Region)

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"Now the situation around our Republics is very serious. Ukraine brought to the front line about 125,000 soldiers of Ukrainian Army and murderers from Nazi battalions. Many foreign instructors came to train Ukrainian soldiers. But mass media of US and EU says about "Russian aggression". But we can't see any Russian troops on our territory. We hope that common sense and wisdom will win and the world doesn't fall into war. We still remember that Ukrainian authorities decided to drop bombs on the heads of Donbass residents instead of sitting down at the negotiating table. And we will never forget that only Russia, not so-called "civilized world", gave us real help, support and defense.

"It is difficult to make any prognosis right now. We just see US push Ukraine into the war very hard. It is terrible but it is so! What you can do for us? Thanks to Russia we not suffer from hunger. Only one thing we need. Your support and help us dissemination of real information about the situation in our Republics."



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