

## Fake News About Russia's Alleged "Meddling" in the French Elections

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*Claims about Russian US election hacking were fabricated. No evidence exists suggesting it. Accusations without it are groundless. Media repeat them anyway.* 

Indisputable evidence proves America routinely interferes in elections worldwide. It ruthlessly wants independent governments toppled, pro-Western puppet regimes replacing them.

A longstanding joke asks why America never experienced a coup – because Washington has no US embassy.

Since the 19th century, the United States sought to impose its will on other countries, notably post-WW II, beginning with US aggression on North Korea.

It's been worst of all post-9/11, America at war at home and worldwide, a reality check indictment of a rogue state, history's worst by far – humanity threatened by possible nuclear annihilation.

On April 24, <u>AP News</u> headlined "Researchers: Russia-linked hackers targeted Macron campaign" – falsely accused by "the Japanese anti-virus firm Trend Micro..."

Its digital chief Mounir Mahjoubi cited no evidence proving his claim because none exists. The accusation is fake. No Russian meddling in France's election occurred.

Moscow categorically denies fabricated claims about it interfering in any nation's elections – not America's, not France's or any others.

Accusations are bogus. Putin spokesman Dmitry Peskov dismissed phony claims, saying

"(i)t resembles the accusations made by Washington, which to this day remain hollow, doing no honor to the people making them."

Trend Micro's report is "fake news," he stressed. Addressing the UN Committee on Information in New York, Russian Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Maria Zakhavova urged the world body to establish "a strategy for battling fake news and disinformation."

"Russia will be ready to fully support this initiative which is extremely important for developing a healthy environment for news reporting," she stressed.

Western media fake news drowns out legitimate journalism.

False accusations about Russian interference in France's election creates the appearance of "Macron want(ing) to follow in the steps of Hillary Clinton, a very dubious path," Zakharova said weeks earlier.

Russia bashing persists without letup, bilateral relations with Washington at a post-Cold War low.

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