

# Global Research Weekender: Whose Fault Is the Ukrainian Crisis? Provoking a Third World War?

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The botched narrative of a February 16 Russian invasion of Ukraine reveals the desperation of the Anglo-American allies in provoking a third world war. As the warmongers of the West continue building up their war propaganda while their military equipment and personnel are on standby, Russia calmly resorts to diplomacy as means of addressing the crisis.

Will Ukraine become the next war theatre? Is gunboat diplomacy an option? What is the Minsk Agreement and how will it impact on the resolution of the crisis?

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Oversaturation of Ukrainian Forces Escalates Security Crisis

By <u>Lucas Leiroz de Almeida</u>, February 17, 2022

The current security crisis in Ukraine fueled by Kiev and its western allies is on the verge of triggering a new wave of violence in the Donbass region. Recent statements by Russian officials have warned about the possibility of a resurgence of large-scale clashes, which would be a consequence of the extreme militarization promoted in the conflict zone by Ukrainian forces.



British Officials Spread Russia Coup Plot Disinformation for United States

By Kit Klarenberg, February 17, 2022

Months of frenzied speculation about an imminent Russian invasion of Kiev by Western journalists, think tanks, and politicians culminated on February 15 with Moscow reducing its military footprint near Ukraine's border.



Biden Insists Russian Invasion "Distinctly Possible" Despite Troop Demobilization

### By Paul Antonopoulos, February 16, 2022

The Russian troops that took part in defense exercises in Belarus and Crimea are now returning to their barracks, contradicting widely circulated reports that Russia is about to invade Ukraine. Although Moscow repeatedly stressed that troop mobilizations were for defense exercises, a weak and unverified intelligence leak disseminated across Western media claimed that Russia would invade Ukraine on February 16.



In the Donbass, the Fuse Is Lit

By Manlio Dinucci, February 16, 2022

Every day, signs of an imminent war intensify. The State Department is evacuating the Embassy in Kyiv leaving behind only a few diplomats and a team of Marines, and is warning US citizens to leave Ukraine because "it would not be able to protect them from the Russian attack."



Why Are We Evacuating Diplomats from Ukraine?

By Prof. Anatol Lieven, February 16, 2022

How they must be laughing in the Kremlin. Western policy towards Ukraine is evolving from the ridiculous to the positively surreal. Thus the latest demonstration of the West's unbreakable commitment to Ukraine and to future Ukrainian NATO membership is — to evacuate Western diplomats from Kiev, before a single shot has been fired, and while Russia continues to deny that it has any intention of invading.



By All Measures, the US Has the World's Most Incompetent Government and the Worst Media

By <u>Dr. Paul Craig Roberts</u>, February 16, 2022

US President Biden claims Russian troops continue "encircling Ukraine" even as Moscow says they are withdrawing. The Russian soldiers were never there for the purpose of invading Ukraine. They were in Belarus as part of a training exercise akin to the ones NATO continually conducts on Russia's borders.



Today's Crisis Over Ukraine. Former US Ambassador to USSR Jack F. Matlock, Jr

By Jack Matlock, February 15, 2022

We are being told each day that war may be imminent in Ukraine. Russian troops, we are told, are massing at Ukraine's borders and could attack at any time. American citizens are being advised to leave Ukraine and dependents of the American Embassy staff are being evacuated.



#### Making Sense of the Ukraine Standoff

By Eric Zuesse, February 15, 2022

Putin intends to assure that if Ukraine invades Donbass, the residents in Donbass will win. He has armed and trained them how to use the weapons, but if Russian soldiers would need to enter Donbass and fight there against Ukraine, he also will need to defeat the Ukrainian soldiers there. He is waiting for Ukraine to invade Donbass.



#### West Exaggerates Russian Invasion Claim as Zelensky Loses Control of Narrative

By Paul Antonopoulos, February 15, 2022

The Minsk agreements, written in 2014 by the Trilateral Contact Group on Ukraine, consisting of the Kiev government, Russia, and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), with mediation from France and Germany in the so-called Normandy Format, seeks to end war in the mostly Russian-speaking Donbass region of eastern Ukraine.



#### 77 Years Ago, U.S. and Russia Signed Historic Agreement at Yalta

By <u>Jeremy Kuzmarov</u> and <u>Dr. Jacques R. Pauwels</u>, February 14, 2022

Under the terms of the Yalta agreements, Stalin agreed to enter the war in the Pacific in exchange for the return of Russian territory that had been lost during the Russo-Japanese war. Stalin further agreed to the division of Germany and to stay out of Greece's civil war. In return, the U.S. and Great Britain agreed to a Soviet sphere of influence in Eastern Europe to avoid the prospect of Germany ever invading Russia again.

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