

## More Anti-Russia "Fake News" Reports... When "Fake New" Becomes "Real News"

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Virtually all corporate owned or supported broadsheets, magazines, other published material and electronic news reek of anti-Russia fake news – Americans carpet-bombed with it daily.

You'd think by now the vast majority would know they're being lied to. Yet no matter how often they were fooled before, they're largely easy marks to be deceived again.

Imagine how many were duped to believe the <u>Reuters fake news story</u>, headlined "US intel report identifies Russians who gave emails to WikiLeaks – officials," saying:

The CIA has identified Russian officials who fed material hacked from the Democratic National Committee and party leaders to WikiLeaks at the direction of Russian President Vladimir Putin through third parties, according to a new US intelligence report, (unnamed) senior US officials said on Thursday.

Fact: The claim is fake news because no evidence suggests Russian US election hacking, let alone Putin ordering it. The scheme aims to delegitimize Trump's election and make it hard for him to work cooperatively with his Russian counterpart.

Reuters:

"The officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the Central Intelligence Agency and others have concluded that the Russian government escalated its efforts from discrediting the US election process to assisting President-elect Donald Trump's campaign."

Fact: When claims aren't backed by credible evidence, they're baseless fake news. The fake Russian hacking story has legs because media scoundrels keep pushing it.

Is the neocon <u>WaPo story</u> any more credible, headlined "US intercepts capture senior Russian officials celebrating Trump win," saying:

The ebullient reaction among high-ranking Russian officials...contributed to the US intelligence community's assessment that Moscow's efforts were aimed at least in part at helping Trump win the White House.

Fact: No specifics were provided to give the above claim substance, including names, places, and what celebratory activities went on.

Was the story concocted, fake anti-Russia news following so many previous vilifying Big Lies? Undoubtedly Russia was pleased with the election's outcome. The risk of US preemptive nuclear war was reduced significantly, a clear reason for joy with war goddess Hillary's defeat.

During a television interview, I was asked what I thought of the election's outcome. I said I was ecstatic Hillary lost. Millions of Americans and Russians feel the same way.

A Friday <u>Wall Street Journal</u> piece headlined "Ash Carter Says Putin Is Making It Harder for US to Work With Russia," saying:

Russia has done nothing to help defeat Islamic State forces in Syria and has adopted a strategy of 'explicitly thwarting the US' elsewhere.

Fact: Outgoing US defense secretary Carter has his facts Ash backwards (a derogatory pun intended). America created and supports terrorists groups, ISIS among them.

Fact: Russia is the only world power courageously combating the scourge Washington and its rogue allies aid with weapons, munitions, funding, training and direction.

Fact: Carter is a bald-faced liar. He won't be missed. Nor will other neocons infesting Obama's administration – notably the neocon-in-chief, a menace to humanity at home and abroad throughout his despicable tenure.

The above three stories are a drop in an ocean of anti-Russia fake news, media scoundrels proliferating it daily.

In a Friday morning telephone interview with <u>The New York Times</u>, Trump called the alleged Russian hacking story a "political witch hunt," nothing substantive backing it, made up stuff alone – fakery, not facts.

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