

# Russian President Vladimir Putin Bursts the Bubble of Western “Perception Managers”

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*Russian President Vladimir Putin burst the bubble of genocidal Western “Perception Managers” and allied Legacy Media stenographers during his recent interview with Tucker Carlson.*

How did he do this? Simply by telling the truth.

Whereas war propagandists would have us believe that “Putin invaded Ukraine”, in fact it was the West that started the war in 2014, as admitted by NATO Secretary General Jens Stoltenberg.

Prof. Michel Chossudovsky notes in “*NATO Confirms that Ukraine ‘War Started in 2014’. ‘Fake Pretext’ to Wage War against Russia? To Invoke Article 5 of Atlantic Treaty?*” that

[On September 7, 2023, NATO’s Secretary General Jens Stoltenberg in a presentation to the European Parliament](#), formally acknowledged that:

“the war didn’t start in February last year. It started in 2014.”

This far-reaching declaration confirms his earlier statement in May 2023 to the effect that the Ukraine War

“didn’t start in 2022”, “The war started in 2014”.

Speaking on behalf of NATO, what this statement implies is that US-NATO was already at war in 2014. It also tacitly acknowledges that Russia did not “initiate the war” on Ukraine in February 2022. (1)

So the widely repeated mantra by Western politicians and propagandists that “Putin invaded

Ukraine” in 2022 is both deceptive and inaccurate. More accurately, it started in 2014 with the bloody CIA/neo-nazi Maidan coup which ousted elected Ukrainian President Yanukovich, who was forced to flee the country. (2)

Putin reaches back in time and explains that the aforementioned coup did not happen in isolation. He explains that the West opened the door to Ukraine for NATO membership at the Bucharest Conference in 2008.

According to “North Atlantic Treaty News”, “NATO Allies welcomed Ukraine’s and Georgia’s Euro-Atlantic aspirations for membership and agreed that these countries will become members of NATO.” (3)

Not only does the above decision contradict earlier promises that NATO would not move “one inch eastward” (4), but it willfully violates a “red-line” as explained by Biden’s CIA director [William Burns](#).

In 2008, when Burns was the American Ambassador to Moscow, he wrote to Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice that,

“Ukrainian entry into NATO is the brightest of all redlines for the Russian elite (not just Putin). In more than two and a half years of conversations with key Russian players, from knuckle-draggers in the dark recesses of the Kremlin to Putin’s sharpest liberal critics, I have yet to find anyone who views Ukraine in NATO as anything other than a direct challenge to Russian interests.” (5)

Vladimir Putin’s conditions for Peace are not unreasonable. They include no NATO expansion into Ukraine and denazification of Ukraine.

These are not unreasonable demands, especially considering that the installed Banderite/Washington-controlled dictatorship has been bombing Russian-speaking civilians in eastern Ukraine since 2014.

The demand that any future regime disallow nazism and genocidal ethnic nationalism as governing ideologies is reasonable.

Similarly, the demand that nuclear-armed NATO cease its expansion towards Russia’s border, thus violating Russia’s security, is not unreasonable.

The West does not tolerate Russian nuclear weapons or aggressive military alliances on its borders, and neither should Russia.

What about Peace initiatives?

Whereas Russia apparently acted in good faith when it signed the Minsk Agreements, (signed by Russia, France, Germany and Ukraine) Angela Merkel, Francois Hollande, and Pyotr Poroshenko have admitted that they signed the Accords to “buy time” and to militarize Ukraine to NATO standards. (6)

To conclude, despite the West’s apparent unwillingness to negotiate peace, President Putin appears willing:

“Let us go back to 1991,” he says, “when we were promised that NATO would not be expanded, to 2008 when the doors to NATO opened, to the Declaration of State Sovereignty of Ukraine declaring Ukraine a neutral state. Let us go back to the fact that NATO and US military bases started to appear on the territory of Ukraine creating threats for us. Let us go back to coup d’état in Ukraine in 2014. It is pointless though, isn’t it? We may go back and forth endlessly. But they stopped negotiations. Is it a mistake? Yes. Correct it. We are ready. What else is needed?” (7)

Peace is necessary and attainable, but the West, despite military losses in Ukraine, remains implacable.

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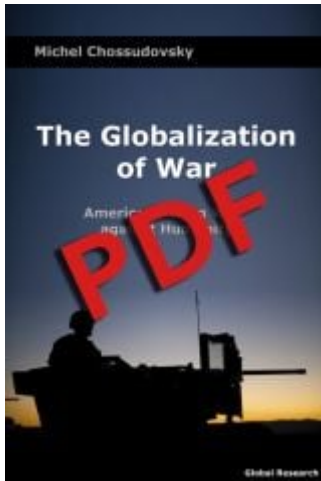
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