

## Selected Articles: The Pentagon’s “Anti-China Weapons” and “The New Silk Roads”

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### [Busted: 11 COVID Assumptions Based on Fear Not Fact](#)

By [Makia Freeman](#), July 13, 2020

COVID assumptions – the assumptions people make about COVID, how dangerous it is, how it spreads and what we need to do to stop it – are running rampant, running far more wildly than the supposed virus SARS-CoV2 itself. The coldly calculated campaign of propaganda surrounding this ‘pandemic’ has achieved its aim. Besieged with a slew of contradictory information coming from all angles, people in general have succumbed to confusion. Some have given up trying to understand the situation and found it is just easier to obey official directives, even if it means giving up long-held rights. Below is a list of commonly held COVID assumptions which, if you believe them, will make you much more likely to submit to the robotic, insane and abnormal conditions of the New Normal – screening, testing, contact tracing, monitoring, surveillance, mask-wearing, social distancing, quarantine and isolation, with mandatory vaccination and microchipping to come.



## [Congress Wants More Unnecessary Anti-China Weapons Programs in Annual Defense Bill](#)

By [Michael T. Klare](#), July 13, 2020

Cotton's proposal, stuffed with lucrative giveaways to the defense industry — \$1.6 billion for “logistics and security enablers,” \$775 million for “building national resilience to space weather,” among others — bears little apparent relevance to the military equation in Asia and is unlikely to be embraced by a majority of Senators. However, many of his proposed budgetary add-ons have been incorporated into other measures aimed at boosting U.S. military might in the Asia-Pacific region.



## [75 Years Ago: When Szilard Tried to Halt Dropping Atomic Bombs Over Japan](#)

By [Greg Mitchell](#), July 13, 2020

On July 3, 1945, the great atomic scientist Leo Szilard finished a letter/petition that would become the strongest (virtually the only) real attempt at halting President Truman's march to using the atomic bomb—still almost two weeks from its first test at Trinity—against Japanese cities.

We rarely hear that as the Truman White House made plans to use the first atomic bombs against Japan in the summer of 1945, a large group of atomic scientists, many of whom had worked on the bomb project, raised their voices, or at least their names, in protest. They were led by the great physicist Szilard who, among things, is the man who convinced Albert Einstein to write his famous yes-it-can-be-done letter to President Franklin D. Roosevelt, setting the bomb project in motion.



## [As the Arctic Burns, Trump Bailouts Fossil Fuel Industry with Billions](#)

By [Andy Rowell](#), July 13, 2020

The Arctic is once again on fire. And the extremely warm temperatures in the region — and concurrent wildfires — are another urgent reminder that we need to divest from fossil fuels as soon as possible.

They are a pressing reminder that any post COVID-19 bailout should be focused on an immediate just recovery toward industry workers, renewables, and clean energy.



## [The UK Reading Stabbings: Al Qaeda LIFG Terrorists Supported by UK. Product of British Foreign Policy](#)

By [Tony Cartalucci](#), July 12, 2020

It should surprise no one paying attention that the suspect in the recent stabbing spree in Reading, UK was not only known to British security agencies as an extremist and security threat, but that he comes from the pool of extremists the British aided Washington in funding, arming, training, and providing air support for during the 2011 overthrow of the Libyan government and have harbored before and ever since.



### [Looks Like Sweden Was Right After All](#)

By [Mike Whitney](#), July 12, 2020

Why is the media so fixated on Sweden's coronavirus policy? What difference does it make?

Sweden settled on a policy that they thought was both sustainable and would save as many lives as possible. They weren't trying to 'show anyone up' or 'prove how smart they were'. They simply took a more traditionalist approach that avoided a full-scale lockdown. That's all.



### [Iran and China Turbo-charge the New Silk Roads](#)

By [Pepe Escobar](#), July 12, 2020

Two of the US's top "strategic threats" are getting closer and closer within the scope of the New Silk Roads – the leading 21<sup>st</sup> century project of economic integration across Eurasia. The Deep State will not be amused.

Iranian Foreign Ministry spokesman Abbas Mousavi blasted as "[lies](#)" a series of rumors about the "transparent roadmap" inbuilt in the evolving Iran-China strategic partnership.

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