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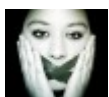
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[The “Deep State” and the Unspoken Crimes of the U.S. Empire, Operation Gladio](#)

By [Gary Weglarz](#), March 14 2017

The key institutions of Western societies have lost their credibility. They fail to merit either the respect or loyalty of the domestic populations they purport to serve. Testing the validity of this assertion requires examination of Western institutions from a holistic rather than fragmentary perspective. This is easier said than done. There exists a massive amount of near real-time web based information available for us to process daily if we are attempting to keep abreast of world events. This often leaves us diligently evaluating recent events, while lacking the opportunity to step back and assemble these discrete events into a more comprehensible whole.



[Criminalizing Free Expression in Israel](#)

By [Stephen Lendman](#), March 14 2017

In February, Association for Civil Rights in Israel executive director Sharon Abraham-Weiss blasted Netanyahu for “lashing out against the media,” saying it’s “an almost regular occurrence,” a matter “of genuine concern.” He’s waging war on free expression and the rule of law. Repressive legislation portrays “(s)ocial and human rights activi(sts) as traitors,” wanting them” forcibly eliminate(d) from the Israeli discourse...”



[Stronger U.S. Economic Growth? Over My Dead Body, Says Janet Yellen](#)

By [Mike Whitney](#), March 14 2017

The U.S. economy is weak. Very weak. But the Federal Reserve is planning to raise interest rates anyway. Why? Here's what's going on...



[Obama's Ukrainian Coup Triggered the Influx of 2.5 Million Ukrainian Refugees into Russia](#)

By [Eric Zuesse](#), March 14 2017

On Tuesday, March 7th, Russia's top parliamentarian dealing with the Ukrainian refugee influx into Russia — dealing, that is, with the people who have fled Ukraine as a result of U.S. President Barack Obama's 2014 coup overthrowing Ukraine's democratically elected President Viktor Yanukovych — presented the first-ever comprehensive number of asylum-applicants from Ukraine who have received asylum there after that February 2014 coup. The Russian government had never before publicly provided a number, but does have an established system of processing refugees, including assignment of official refugee status, which «allows the recipient various social benefits, including unemployment compensation» and so each Ukrainian refugee has a file with the government.



[War Crimes and Fake News: Peering into Syria – with Mark Taliano](#)

By [Mark Taliano](#) and [Unusual Sources](#), March 14 2017

They lied about Iraq, they lied about Libya, but at least you can learn about what is going on in Syria with the help of people like Mark Taliano. Mark, a retired Ontario teacher, visited Syria as part of the Third Tour of Peace. Through the contacts he made, he was able to write a booklet about the perspectives of Syrians under siege by the NATO/GCC assault on their country. He discusses his book, [Voices from Syria](#), and also the news about a team of Swedish doctors refuting the White Helmets' pretensions of being first responders.



[Letter to My Friend in Damascus. The Recently Announced American Invasion into Your Country](#)

By [Barbara Nimri Aziz](#), March 14 2017

Today students who can't find a way to leave, face military service. There are no figures about all the soldiers killed and wounded; it's tens of thousands, for certain. Only a few families can manage to pay for their sons to avoid the draft. "We are losing all our young people," you sigh. This proclamation lies in the shadow of every one of our conversations.

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