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["Serious Incident" Unfolds as NATO Jet Accidentally Launches Secret Missile Near Russian Border](#)

By [Zero Hedge](#), August 12, 2018

Estonia's defense minister has halted a NATO war exercise in Estonia pending an investigation after a fighter jet deployed in northeast Europe accidentally fired a secret

missile during training. Authorities are now searching for the rocket, which was shot over the Baltic country's airspace by a Spanish fighter jet this week near the Russian border.



[Giving Trump Carte Blanche for War](#)

By [John Kiriakou](#), August 12, 2018

It's hard to oppose a bill that would "keep Americans safe," as Corker said in the SFRC hearing. But this bill is so bad, such an affront to our freedom, such an attack on our civil liberties, that we should be *compelled* to oppose it.



[UN Sanctions Against North Korea, Encouraging De Facto Biological Warfare](#)

By [Carla Stea](#), August 11, 2018

The UN Security Council sanctions have imposed strangling economic warfare upon the DPRK from 2006 up to the present. It is becoming evident, now, that these UN Sanctions are encouraging a form of de facto biological warfare against the citizens of the DPRK. This is a criminal violation of international law for which the United Nations Security Council must immediately be held accountable. This attack on the people of North Korea is reaching proportions that may ultimately lead to a global pandemic of resistant strains of Tuberculosis, the most lethal form of the disease and most difficult to treat.



[A Decalogue: The Ten Theses of American Empire-Building: A Dialogue](#)

By [Prof. James Petras](#), August 11, 2018

Empire builders' proposal to reconfigure the economy in order to regain imperial supremacy provokes domestic and overseas enemies. President Trump launched a global trade war, replaced political accommodation with economic sanctions against Russia and a domestic protectionist agenda and sharply reduced corporate taxes. He provoked a two-front conflict. Overseas, he provoked opposition from European allies and China, while facing perpetual harassment from domestic free market globalists and Russo-phobic political elites and ideologues.



[Washington Has Lured the EU into An Anti-China Trade Front](#)

By [F. William Engdahl](#), August 11, 2018

While many in the EU breathed a sign of relief at the apparent success of the recent Washington trade tariff talks between EU Commission President Juncker and the Trump

Administration, in reality it looks more as if Washington has skillfully maneuvered the EU, especially Germany, to close the door on any possible collaboration with China on trade and economic development. While there are problems with Chinese economic policy, the recent developments suggest an EU consensus to turn away from the enormous potentials of the China-based Eurasian economic space in favor of an alliance with the USA and China-hostile Japan against the Chinese development. That could seriously damage the EU economy going forward.



[Giants: The Global Power Elite](#)

By [Peter Phillips](#), August 11, 2018

Central to the idea of a globalized power elite is the concept of a transnational capitalist class theorized in academic literature for some 20 years. *Giants* reviews the transition from nation state power elites, as described by Mills, to a transnational power elite centralized on the control of global capital around the world.



[Is Turkey Sleeping with the Enemy? The Russia-Turkey-Iran “Triple Entente”](#)

By [Prof Michel Chossudovsky](#), August 10, 2018

While Turkey is officially a member of NATO as well as a firm ally of the US, president Recep Tayyip Erdoğan has been developing “friendly relations” with two of America’s staunchest enemies, namely Iran and Russia.

Sleeping with the enemy: “Our relations are not good with Turkey” says Trump.

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