

Selected Articles: NATO Expansion Could Trigger Nuclear War

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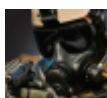
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[DoD Orders \\$250 Million of Gas Masks – What Do They Know?](#)

By [Zero Hedge](#), March 31, 2019

The U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) has awarded Avon Protection Systems Inc., Cadillac, Michigan, a \$245,961,250 firm-fixed-price contract for production of M53A1 Chemical Biological Protective Mask systems, [according to the DoD contract website](#).



[Xi's Visit Sets Tone for China-EU Relations](#)

By [Liu Caiyu](#) and [Yang Sheng](#), March 30, 2019

The outcome of Xi's visit to Europe is "beyond expectations" and extremely "practical" in terms of deepening China-Europe relations. The visit sets the tone for the future of the relations, Chinese analysts noted on Wednesday.



[The BRICS New Development Bank: Corruption-riddled Development Finance](#)

By [Prof. Patrick Bond](#), March 30, 2019

The BRICS New Development Bank is having its **Annual General Meeting on 1-2 April**, here in South Africa. There's information about the meeting [here](#), including public sessions. Critics meet to discuss the Bank on 31 March – 3 June in Cape Town and Johannesburg, especially to interrogate bank loans to South Africa.



[Syria: Is US Fighting ISIS or Liquidating Assets?](#)

By [Tony Cartalucci](#), March 30, 2019

From US Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) memos dating back to 2012 noting efforts to create a “Salafist” [Islamic] “principality” [State] in eastern Syria precisely where ISIS rose and now clings to its “*final stronghold*,” to the obvious fact that ISIS’ fighting capacity was only possible through extensive state sponsorship – it was already clear that the US and its partners in regime change against Syria had been using terrorists including ISIS as proxy ground forces.



[NATO's Unrelenting Expansion Could Trigger a Major Nuclear War](#)

By [Shane Quinn](#), March 30, 2019

Less than two years ago Montenegro became the 29th state to join NATO, an American-led military alliance that has become a far-reaching intervention force since the USSR's demise. The accession of mighty Montenegro to NATO must have set hearts fluttering across the Atlantic in Washington.



[Pentagon Audit: Evidence Proving \\$21 Trillion Unaccounted For – Opening Statement](#)

By [David DeGraw](#), March 29, 2019

As you will see in detail throughout this series of reports, not only have trillions of taxpayer dollars been knowingly dumped into a shockingly unaccountable black hole, Congress is not even sure how much money has been appropriated and given out in the first place.



[Welcome to Hell: Peruvian Mining City of La Rinconada](#)

By [Andre Vltchek](#), March 29, 2019

No one can agree how high above the sea level that La Rinconada really lies at: 5,300 meters or 5,200 meters? On the access road, a metal plate says 5,015. But who really cares? It is indisputably the highest settlement in the world; a gold mining town, a concentration of misery, a community of around 70,000 inhabitants, many of whom have been poisoned by mercury.

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