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### [Federal Government Shutdown and the Duopoly System of Two-party Politics](#)

By [Abayomi Azikiwe](#), January 25, 2018

After three days of recriminations from both sides of the political aisles, the government was reopened on January 22. What is described as "essential services" were continued over the weekend of the closure.



### [Davos: "Zombie" TPP Trade Deal Threatens Our Fractured World](#)

By [Friends of the Earth International](#), January 24, 2018

Friends of the Earth International, the world's largest grassroots environmental network, has warned that the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) trade deal could threaten people and planet if signed and ratified by national parliaments in March this year.



### [No Taxpayers' Money Is Spared in Washington's Military Adventures Worldwide. Trillions of Unauthorized Spending](#)

By [Martin Berger](#), January 24, 2018

According

the director of the Arms and Security Project at the Center for International Policy, William Hartung most Americans would be amazed to learn that US Special Operations Forces have been deployed to three quarters of of the nations on the planet. Furthermore, according to this researcher there is little or no transparency as to what they are doing in these countries and whether their efforts are promoting security or provoking further tension and conflict.



### [A National Defense Strategy of Sowing Global Chaos](#)

By [Nicolas J. S. Davies](#), January 24, 2018

In the new U.S. National Defense Strategy, military planners bemoan the erosion of the U.S.'s "competitive edge," but the reality is that they are strategizing to maintain the American Empire in a chaotic world, explains Nicolas J.S. Davies.



### [World Economic Forum Meets in Davos Under Shadow of Crisis and War](#)

By [Bill Van Auken](#), January 24, 2018

The gathering is overshadowed, however, by the accelerating fracturing of the global capitalist order, manifested in unprecedented levels of social inequality in every country, a sharp growth in trade war and the ever more immediate threat of an eruption of armed conflict, including nuclear war, between the major powers.



### [Richest One Percent Bagged 82 Percent of Global Wealth – Poorest Half of Humanity Got Nothing](#)

By [Oxfam International](#), January 23, 2018

Eighty two percent of the wealth generated last year went to the richest one percent of the global population, while the 3.7 billion people who make up the poorest half of the world saw no increase in their wealth, according to a new Oxfam report released today. The report is being launched as political and business elites gather for the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland.

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