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UK Government Accused of Covering Up War Crimes in Iraq

By Johanna Ross, November 19, 2019

Leaked documents have revealed that not only was the UK army involved in war crimes in Iraq and Afghanistan in the 2000s, but Conservative ministers succeeded in covering it up. Military detectives unveiled alleged 'daily' abuse dating back as far as 2003 by the Black Watch regiment in Basra as well as more recent crimes such as a 2012 raid on a compound in Helmund Province where three 'unarmed' children and a young man were shot dead.



# China, USA and the Geopolitics of Lithium

### By F. William Engdahl, November 19, 2019

For several years since the global push to develop mass-scale Electric Vehicles, the element Lithium has come intofocus as a strategic metal. Demand is enormous in China, in the EU and in the USA at present, and securing control over lithium supplies is already developing its own geopolitics not unlike that for the control of oil.

For China, which has set major targets to become the world's largest producer of EVs, developing lithium battery materials is a priority for the 13th Five-Year Plan (2016-20) period. Though China has its own lithium reserves, recovery is limited, and China has gone to secure lithium mining rights abroad.



<u>Conflict of Interest: Julian Assange's Judge and Her Husband's Links to the British Military</u> <u>Establishment Exposed by WikiLeaks</u>

By Mark Curtis and Matt Kennard, November 19, 2019

It can also be revealed that Lady Arbuthnot has received gifts and hospitality in relation to her husband, including from a military and cybersecurity company exposed by WikiLeaks. These activities indicate that the chief magistrate's activities cannot be considered as entirely separate from her husband's.

Lord Arbuthnot of Edrom, a former defence minister, is a <u>paid chair</u> of the advisory board of military corporation Thales Group, and was until earlier this year an <u>adviser</u> to arms company Babcock International. Both companies have major contracts with the UK Ministry of Defence (MOD).



Europe's Economy Today & Tomorrow

#### By Dr. Jack Rasmus, November 19, 2019

Look beneath what's happening with Yellow Vests in France, Hong Kong demonstrations, mass demonstrations across the South American continent, in North Africa and the Middle East, and what you will find is young workers growing desperate over their working conditions, over income inequality, the lack of jobs that provide a basic living, and their sense of hopelessness of change any time soon. In other words, discontent over their fate in emerging 21st century capitalism.

But the worse is still yet to come. Contingent, or so-called precarious, work and its condemning of workers to a 'new indentureship'—a kind of 21st century capitalist serfdom—is now being intensified by new capitalist business models and technological



Brexit Trade Deals Signed So Far Worth Just 8 Percent of UK Total Trade

By True Publica, November 19, 2019

The EU, taken as a whole is the UK's largest trading partner. In 2018, UK exports to the EU were £291 billion (45% of all UK exports). UK imports from the EU were £357 billion (53% of all UK imports).

Therefore, the UK had an overall trade deficit of  $-\pounds66$  billion with the EU in 2018. A surplus of  $\pounds28$  billion on trade in services was outweighed by a deficit of  $-\pounds94$  billion on trade in goods.



The Destabilization of Haiti

By Prof Michel Chossudovsky, November 19, 2019

The armed insurrection which contributed to unseating President Aristide on February 29th 2004 was the result of a carefully staged military-intelligence operation.

The Rebel paramilitary army crossed the border from the Dominican Republic in early February. It constitutes a well armed, trained and equipped paramilitary unit integrated by former members of Le Front pour l'avancement et le progrès d'Haiti (FRAPH), the "plain clothes" death squadrons, involved in mass killings of civilians and political assassinations during the CIA sponsored 1991 military coup, which led to the overthrow of the democratically elected government of President Jean Bertrand Aristide.



The US-Sponsored Coup that Ousted Evo Morales. Bolivia's Partnership with China in Lithium Production

By Dr. Chandra Muzaffar, November 18, 2019

Morales obtained 47.08 % of the vote to secure a fourth term as president in the election

held on the 20<sup>th</sup> of October. Since his vote was more than 10% of what his closest rival had harnessed, there was no need for a second round of voting according to the Bolivian Constitution. However his opponents did not want to accept the result. Neither did the Organisation of American States (OAS) nor the United States of America (USA) nor the European Union (EU). They alleged "electoral fraud" without providing any tangible evidence. It should be emphasised that international observers from a number of countries testified to the legitimacy of the polls.

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