

The US-Orchestrated Coup Plot in Belarus

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There's nothing spontaneous about weeks of public demonstrations in Belarus, largely in the capital Minsk.

What's going on was Made in the USA, planned long before the August 9 Belarusian presidential election, handily won by incumbent Alexander Lukashenko.

Claims otherwise by US dark forces and establishment media otherwise don't pass the smell test.

Washington's plot is all about wanting Belarus to go the way of Ukraine — violently transformed into a US vassal state after CIA-orchestrated late 2013/early 2014 street protests in Kiev.

Democratic Ukraine became a fascist police state, a nation unsafe and unfit to live in.

According to former Deputy Prosecutor-General (2010 - 2013), current MP in Ukraine's parliament Renat Kuzmin:

"There is a large group of people who are dissatisfied with the incumbent president (Vladimir Zelensky) and are ready to join the coup d'état in government agencies, law enforcement agencies, security agencies, including the army" to oust him.

Are US dark forces involved? Kuzmin claims former president Poroshenko is part of the plot.

Is something similar underway in the US in the run-up to November 3 presidential and congressional elections — a scheme by anti-Trump dark forces to deny him a second term, a coup plot to install Biden as president?

Preventing Belarus from going the way of Ukraine is vital for Russia.

On Monday, Putin and Lukashenko are meeting in Sochi, Russia.

According to the Kremlin's press service, they "plan to discuss the prospects of promoting integration processes within the Union State and implementing joint energy projects," adding:

"During the talks, they plan to discuss key issues of further development of Russian-Belarusian relations of strategic partnership and alliance."

"A special focus will be placed on the implementation of major joint projects in the trade-economic, energy and cultural-humanitarian spheres, as well as the

prospects for promoting integration processes within the Union State.”

On Sunday, orchestrated anti-Lukashenko demonstrations continued in Minsk, hundreds detained by security forces, according to a Belarusian Interior Ministry press release.

Joint Russian/Belarusian military exercises are being held in Belarus from September 13 – 25, a statement by Russia’s Defense Ministry saying the following:

“In accordance with the schedule of international events for 2020, the planned joint Belarusian-Russian tactical exercise Slavic Fraternity, which has been held annually since 2015, will be held from 14 to 25 September at the Brestsky training ground in Belarus.”

They come at a time when Belarusian Defense Minister Viktor Khrenin warned about “NATO...at the gates” encroachment, adding:

“The movement of NATO troops is taking place in territory adjacent to us, within the framework of the Enhanced Forward Presence and Atlantic Resolve operations.”

“In particular, the 2nd Battalion of the 69th Armor Regiment is being deployed to the Pabrade training ground (in Lithuania) 15 kilometers from our border.”

“The fact that about 500 people, 29 tanks, and 43 Bradley Fighting Vehicles will be in such close proximity to our border cannot do anything but worry us.”

According to an Estonian Defense Forces press release:

“US Army multipurpose UH-60 Black Hawk helicopters will arrive at the Amari airbase on Sunday (September 13).”

“Next week, the helicopters will conduct missions around the airbase, central training ground and the Tapa army base.”

“Their task will be to cooperate with the Estonian Defense Forces” — despite neither country threatened by any others.

The made in the USA plot to oust Lukashenko shows no signs of ebbing.

A 1999 Russia/Belarus treaty calls for economic integration and mutual cooperation to defend both nations from foreign threats — with the intent of Belarus integrating with Russia to again become one of its republics.

Will Lukashenko and Putin agree that this is the best way forward?

Will Belarus’ leader hold a national referendum for the country’s citizens to vote up or down on the issue?

Earlier I stressed that this is what democracy is all about.

If majority Belarusians wish to rejoin Russia, integrating both countries makes most sense.

It's also a key way to defeat Washington's coup plot.

Protests would likely continue for a while in diminished size and energy, then fade away and end.

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