

Trump's National Defense Strategy

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On Friday at Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies, Defense Secretary Mattis explained the Trump administration's imperial project – its aim for global dominance.

America's phony war on terrorism will continue, cover for its global war OF terrorism on humanity at home and abroad.

"(G)reat power competition – not terrorism – is now the primary focus of US national security," said Mattis – at a time when the nation's only threats are invented ones.

"This strategy is fit for our time, providing the American people the military required to protect our way of life, stand with our allies and live up to our responsibility to pass intact to the next generation those freedoms we enjoy today," he roared.

US militarism, belligerence and permanent war agenda threaten world peace, stability and security. That's what "our way of life" is all about, along with serving America's privileged class exclusively at the expense of peace, equity and justice.

Post-9/11, the nation's "freedoms" eroded greatly on the fabricated pretext of protecting national security, including waging phony war on terrorism America created and supports.

Its reckless agenda is humanity's greatest threat. Its [National Defense Strategy](#) is all about offense, waging endless wars of aggression, targeting all sovereign independent countries for regime change, wanting US control over planet earth, its resources and populations.

Washington seeks imposition of authoritarian rule over all nations, partnering with NATO, Israel and other rogue allies – not Russia and China, as Mattis falsely claimed.

Trump's National Defense Strategy calls for greater military spending than already. Mattis explained it, saying

"(o)ur competitive edge in every domain of warfare – air, land, sea, space, and cyberspace – is eroding," adding:

“To those who would threaten America’s experiment in democracy: if you challenge us, it will be your longest and worst day.”

No nations can challenge what doesn’t exist. America is a plutocracy, not a democracy, run by and for its corporate interests and super-rich – presidents, Congress and the courts serving them, media scoundrels supporting them.

Mattis lied claiming North Korea and Iran “threaten regional and even global stability” – a US imperial threat, its agenda risking catastrophic nuclear war, threatening life on earth if launched.

Russia and China aren’t “revisionist” powers. They don’t threaten their neighbors or any other countries. Nor do they wage wars of aggression like America.

US economic policies are “predatory,” not China’s. Like Russia, it seeks cooperative relations with other nations. America’s agenda seeks dominance, naked aggression its favored strategy.

No Russian adventurism exists, a US specialty. Moscow isn’t “undermining the international order from within the system by exploiting its benefits while simultaneously undercutting its principles and ‘rules of the road.’ “

Washington wants the exclusive right to stipulate rules it demands all other nations obey.

“We are going to build a more lethal force...We will strengthen traditional alliances while building new partnerships with other nations,” Mattis roared, part of Washington’s rage for endless wars.

“We will develop enduring coalitions to consolidate gains we have made in Afghanistan, Iraq, Syria and elsewhere, to support the lasting defeat of terrorists as we sever their sources of strength and counterbalance Iran,” the defense strategy document said.

Washington created and supports ISIS and likeminded terrorist groups, using them as imperial foot soldiers in current US war theaters and others to come.

Trump’s National Defense Strategy, his National Security Strategy, and Nuclear Posture Review are all about advancing America’s imperium – the greatest ever threat to life on earth.

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