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The resurgent Nazism in Ukraine poses a threat to all of Europe

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"Nazi Symbols on Ukraine's Front Lines Highlight Thorny Issues of History", writes the New York Times. Many of the Ukrainian soldiers — trained by NATO and equipped with increasingly powerful weapons systems such as the German Leopard tank — wear Nazi emblems on their uniforms. "Ukrainian Troops' use of patches bearing Nazi emblems - comments the NYT - risks fueling Russian propaganda and spreading imagery that the West has spent a half-century trying to eliminate.





It is not just about images, however.

In Ukraine – where all political parties except the one in power have been outlawed and all media are under strict state control – a media group, owned by a neo-Nazi oligarch supporter of Zelensky, has launched a public poll on the topic “Which Russian journalist should be killed next?” It thus heralds the preparation of further assassinations after those of Daria Dughina and other journalists. The media group – which cooperates with the BBC, Der Spiegel and other Western newspapers-publishes a list of Russian journalists to be assassinated, including the editor-in-chief of Russia Today and TV news anchors. At the same time the Ukrainian Security Service, in the hands of neo-Nazis, goes after “Internet agitators” who are arrested if they publish any criticism of the government.

The resurgent Nazism in Ukraine poses a threat to all of Europe, warns the US-based investigative journalism site Grayzone at the conclusion of a well-documented investigation.

The total number of foreign Nazi fighters in Ukraine is unknown, but it is probably very high. Returning to their countries, they will bring with them battlefield experience and, in many cases, elite Western military training. High-level weapons and ammunition will be available in abundance on the black market, thanks to massive arms shipments to Kiev over the course of the conflict. “It is hard to imagine,” Grayzone writes: “It is hard to imagine that Western intelligence officials are not aware that the powder keg they created in Kiev could erupt on their own soil. However, it also appears clear they have taken a vow of omerta on the issue”.

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