

# What Is This War Really About?

Oct. 29—The world woke up this morning to the sobering news that the Russian Defense Ministry had announced that Russia had repelled an aerial and maritime drone attack against its Sevastopol naval base on the Crimean Peninsula that was carried out by Ukrainian military units under the direct control and supervision of the British Navy. Describing it as a “terrorist attack,” the Russian Defense Ministry stated that it was “carried out under supervision of British specialists in the city of Ochakov, Nikolayev region in Ukraine.” The statement then added that “representatives from this unit from the British Navy were involved in plotting, organizing and implementation of the terrorist attack in the Baltic Sea on 26 September this year to blow up the Nord Stream 1 and Nord Stream 2 gas pipelines.”

Although *EIR* has no independent confirmation, as of this writing, of the Russian Defense Ministry’s charges, three different European military and security specialists consulted by *EIR* have concurred that Russia was highly unlikely to make up such charges unless they had “smoking gun” evidence to back it up. These specialists further noted the deafening governmental silence about the results of the investigations of the sabotage of the Nord Stream pipelines. Former CIA analyst and Russia specialist Ray McGovern tweeted Saturday morning:

Russia not likely to blame UK for “supervising” today’s drone attack on Russian ships near Crimea AND sabotage of Nord Stream pipelines WITHOUT EVIDENCE.

This news service has repeatedly emphasized the leading role of Britain in driving the crisis to escalating war, from then-Prime Minister Boris Johnson’s April trip to Kiev to sabotage the negotiation process, to his May visit to Sweden and Finland to ensure their accession to NATO.

Add to these developments of the last 24 hours, the Oct. 27 release of the Biden Administration’s new defense strategy [documents](#), including its Nuclear Posture Review, which *lower* the threshold for the U.S. use of nuclear weapons. Russia’s Deputy Foreign Minister Alexander Grushko told RIA Novosti Oct. 29 that

Russia was alarmed that the new defense documents provide for “an increase in the number of scenarios, including outside of the nuclear context, which allow the use of nuclear weapons.” China’s Foreign Ministry spokesman Wang Wenbin bluntly denounced the new doctrine as “nuclear blackmail [which] will not work on China,” noting that it “lowers the threshold for using nuclear weapons.”

What is this war about, which threatens to unleash a thermonuclear holocaust which none would survive?

The real issue is the dangerous death-rattle of the imploding trans-Atlantic financial system, and the banking Establishment’s deployment of Global NATO to prevent Russia, China, and other nations

from creating a new international financial architecture to replace them. The ideas for how to bring such a transition about, without war, are reflected in the [proposals](#) presented on Oct. 27 by Russian President Vladimir Putin at the Valdai Discussion Club; those put forward on Oct. 25 by Schiller Institute founder Helga Zepp-LaRouche at an international conference organized by the National Committee for BRICS Research of Russia; and the broad range of [proposals](#) discussed at the Oct. 27 Schiller Institute second seminar of current and former elected officials from around the world, “Stop the Danger of Nuclear War.”

Concluding his remarks to the Oct. 27 seminar, Mexican Congressman Benjamin Robles Montoya called for a new formation:

... a group of legislators who represent everyone on all continents, if possible, of all nationalities, to enter into dialogue directly with the governments of every country interested in world peace ... as well as a New Economic Order that incorporates the new principles in favor of humanity.... We are very happy to join with you, from here in the Chamber of Deputies, in this great crusade for peace.

With the danger of nuclear war, and of a financial blowout, increasing by the day, no time can be lost in building for an upcoming third international seminar of current and former elected officials and other political leaders, now scheduled for the third week of November.

## EDITORIAL