



DESPERATE LONDON & OBAMA: NEW MILITARY DRILLS IN THE PACIFIC; WILD SMEAR CAMPAIGN AGAINST PUTIN, XI

Monday started 12 days of joint military drills between the United States and the Philippines, called Operation Shoulder-to-Shoulder (Balikatan, a yearly joint exercise since the 1980s), involving some 8,000 troops, including Australians, conducted this year as a provocation operation against China. There are contingencies for forays into the South China Sea. Yesterday, Japanese naval vessels—two ships and a submarine, docked in Subic Bay, the former US naval base being returned once again to the US military. This is the first such port call for a Japanese submarine in 15 years. For the first time ever, the U.S. Defense Secretary will come in person to review the Balikatan exercises. Ash Carter is to arrive next week. Farther north, joint U.S. and South Korean military exercises continue until later in the month.

The danger of these force deployments is evident, but the desperation of the London-White House axis is blatantly clear in the new round of wild smears conducted against Presidents Putin and Xi, spun out of the "Panama Papers"—a contrived 2015 dump of data from the Panama-based law firm, Mossack Fonseca, specializing in off-shore money-hiding. Over the weekend, new "results" of so-called studies of this "anonymously" hacked data by the ICIJ (International Consortium of Investigative Journalists—a Soros-funded media hit-squad), are now cited to show that "circles," "friends," "associates" and the like of Putin and Xi, are shady rich types. Putin and Xi are being given a new round of enemy image treatment. This week's London Economist cover is titled, "Beware the Cult of Xi."

There is no mention of Putin himself at all in

the 11 million Panama Papers data items, but, the lying spin is shown by yesterday's London Guardian headline, "Revealed: The \$2 bn Offshore Trail That Leads to Vladimir Putin." Tonight, the BBC is running a new feature, "Tax Havens of the Rich and Powerful Exposed," based on the Panama papers, which also slanders Putin by innuendo.

Not to stop there, two "anti-corruption" summits are scheduled for the Spring, with collusion by the White House and UK governments. In May, David Cameron will host a 2016 London Anti-Corruption Summit. Next week in Washington, D.C. will be a "Preview" event of the London Summit, on April 13, at the Wilson Center, with participation from the UK International Development Department, and from the Obama National Security Council.

Step back, and the real corruption ravaging the world is clear: the continuation of the dead Wall Street-London system, and the war-provocation that goes with it. This was seen most dreadfully in Day One today, of the new EU-Turkey human swap deal to shunt refugees from Greece into Turkey, and back-haul others from Turkey into the EU. By tonight, the first 500 persons are to have arrived in Turkey from Greece.

To the average, "practical" person, these are all individual "issues"—the migrant question, the China and Russia questions, corruption question, and so on. But to human beings, the big picture is clear. The system is dead, we must break with it. Get Obama out, and humanity has a future. As Lyndon LaRouche put it today, on the weekly LPAC TV discussion, "Save people from the cult of practicality!"

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