

Ukraine: A Complex War and "The Neo-Nazi Element": Holes in the Mainstream Account of "Justice in Ukraine"

Conversations with Richard Sanders and Eva Bartlett

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"Although I consider Moscow, which in fact held Ukraine in captivity, and not Jewry, to be the main and decisive enemy, I nonetheless fully appreciate the undeniably harmful and hostile role of the Jews, who are helping Moscow to enslave Ukraine. I therefore support the destruction of the Jews and the expedience of bringing German methods of exterminating Jewry to Ukraine, barring their assimilation and the like." – Yaroslav Stetsko, Former Prime Minister of Ukraine **under Nazi Occupation** (June 30~July 5, 1941), and deputy to Organization of Ukrainian Nationalists faction led by Stepan Bandera. [1]

"Volodymyr, in the years I've known you, I've always thought of you as a champion for democracy. And now democracies around the world have you as our champion." – Prime Minister Justin Trudeau [2]

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In a packed House of Commons in Canada, members of parliament, senators, and invited guests gave a hero's welcome to the Ukrainian president turned war-time folk hero **Volodymyr Zelensky**. His speech had focused on the plight of the peaceful, innocent and democratic Ukrainian people beset by an ugly invasion from the despotic madman **Vladmir Putin**. [3]

For that matter, everywhere you look in the mainstream press, there is no denying that Russia deserves all the blame, Ukraine deserves all the sympathy, and that NATO's only sin is that it will not face the Russians old-fashioned style, selecting tighter and tighter sanctions instead.

According to a <u>recent poll</u> conducted by Leger, **47 percent of Canadians support imposing a no-fly zone over Ukraine**, even if such an action would escalate the situation. Pressure is growing on American congressmen to move in this direction even though **Senator Marco Rubio** has said "it means World War III." [4]

It needs to be acknowledged quickly that the invasion of Ukraine (which Global Research does NOT support) is not as simple as the mainstream media makes it out to be. As has been documented in past episodes of the program, there has been a rise in the incidence of Nazis in Ukraine since the undemocratic coup against president Yanukovych in 2014. NATO has been moving closer to Russia since the Soviet Union fell in 1991. It now is documented as seeking to "overextend" and "unbalance" Russia as documented in a Rand report. And Since 2014, the Ukrainian government has authorized attacks on the Ukrainian population of the Donbas region resulting in over 14,000 deaths. [5]

In this week's Global Research News Hour, we will take a closer look at what is happening that is censored by the press, and hopefully try to balance out an incredibly complex and dangerous situation.

In our first half hour, our guest **Richard Sanders** references his own research at Press for Conversion into the relationship between the Ultra-nationalists in Ukraine and Canada, and the rise of fascist neo-Nazis. He also makes note of a petition put out last year and signed by hundreds of people intended to end Canadian government funding of groups glorifying Nazi collaborators.

In our second half hour, independent journalist **Eva Bartlett** joins us. She is now based in Moscow. She will spend time talking about the myths and realities around Moscow's "crackdown of dissent," her travels two and a half years ago through Crimea and the Donbas, and her appraisal of war crimes that based on similar situations in Syria may be perpetrated by the other side. She also draws attention to an article recently written by **Christopher Black** entitled The Legality of War.

Richard Sanders is the coordinator of the <u>Coalition Opposed to the Arms Trade</u>, and has a history of involvement in anti-war activism that spans three decades. He is also a researcher and the publisher and editor of <u>Press For Conversion</u> Magazine. In the spring of 2021, he released issue #70, <u>Defunding the Myths and Cults of Cold War Canada</u>: Ongoing state support for East European émigré groups with deep fascist roots.

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