

G6+1 on Russia

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Following G6+1 talks, Trump left early for a Tuesday Singapore summit with North Korea's **Kim Jong-un** – without signing the forum's eight-page communique, released on Saturday.

It was unjustifiably tough on Russia. In response to Trump's call for readmitting the country to the G7, making it a G8 once again, Canadian **PM Justin Trudeau** said

"it is not something we are even remotely interested or looking at this time to have Russia returned to the G7."

UK **PM Theresa May** falsely accused the Kremlin of failing to implement the Minsk Agreements on ending conflict in Ukraine.

Russia alone has gone all-out to resolve it, its efforts undermined by Washington and Kiev putschists.

At his annual marathon Q & A days earlier, in response to a Donbass journalist saying Ukrainian forces (armed, trained and supported by US-dominated NATO) are preparing to escalate conflict, Putin said the following:

"I hope it will not reach the point of such provocations. And if this happens, I think it will have very serious consequences for Ukrainian statehood as a whole."

"It is impossible to intimidate people who live in these areas in Donbass, in the Lugansk People's Republic, in the Donetsk People's Republic."

"We provide assistance to both unrecognized republics and will continue to do so."

Russia played the lead role in drafting Minsk, fully observing its provisions, its good faith efforts sabotaged by the Obama and Trump regimes, along with US-installed puppet rule in Kiev.

May said G7 countries "agreed to stand ready to take further restrictive measures against Russia if necessary."

French **President Emmanuel Macron** falsely accused Russia of invading Ukraine, annexing Crimea, and violating Minsk.

The G7 statement turned truth on its head claiming Moscow undermines democracies, a

notion G7 countries abhor and reject, respected by Russia at home and abroad.

"We urge Russia to cease its destabilizing behavior, to undermine democratic systems and its support of" Syria, said G7 leaders.

Washington and its imperial partners are waging naked aggression in the country, Russia alone among major powers combating the scourge of terrorism in its territory Western G7 countries support.

Their eight-page communique repeated the laundry list of phony accusations against Russia – Big Lies about foreign election meddling, the Skripal incident, Crimea, along with disinformation on other issues.

The statement falsely said G7 nations are committed to combating terrorism they support, falsely accused Syria of CW use, falsely said Iran supports terrorism, falsely accused the country of regional destabilization, falsely called its legitimate ballistic missile program a "threat...to international peace and security."

Disagreement between Trump and other G7 leaders on trade primarily transformed the forum into a G6+1 - the US president refusing to sign the final communique.

At the June 8 – 10 Security and Cooperation Organization (SCO) summit in Shanghai, China, (attended by 18 nations including partners and observers, India and Pakistan participating for the first time as full members), Putin explained the alliance's growing importance, saying G7 countries "are wealthier, but the size of the SCO economies is larger. And the population is of course much bigger – half of the planet."

Their economic growth is much greater than G7 countries. Their political and defensive military capabilities are strong.

A previous article explained Russia and China wage world peace, stability, and mutual cooperation among all nations – polar opposite US-dominated NATO's endless wars for conquest and dominance.

Western dominated institutions like the G7 and others are instruments of privilege over governance serving everyone equitably.

No just societies would tolerate them. Globalization is a racket, benefitting privileged interests at the expense of most others – social justice sacrificed for profits.

Disbanding institutions of wealth, power and privilege is an idea whose time has come – along with waging world peace over endless US-led wars of aggression on humanity.

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