

# More Lies from NATO: “Russia’s Aggression against Ukraine” Threatens “Our Freedom, Security and Prosperity”. Anders Fogh Rasmussen

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*We bring to the attention of our readers the opening remarks of NATO Secretary General Anders Fogh Rasmussen at the Atlantic Council of the United States’ Future Leaders Summit in Newport, Wales.*

*Key concepts underlying “NATO’s Vision” are **highlighted**.*

*Comments by **Michel Chossudovsky** are inserted in **[bold]** with an indent.*

## Opening remarks


**by NATO Secretary General Anders Fogh Rasmussen at the Atlantic Council of the United States’ Future Leaders Summit in Newport, Wales**

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Ladies and Gentlemen,  
Dear Friends, Kolinda,

Thank you very much indeed for that very kind, and also in a way a bit surprising, introduction. I didn’t know that we met at Alpe d’Huez. But surely I do remember climbing



Alpe d’Huez : the 21  curves really represent a challenge. But I think for a Secretary General that’s really a quite good, or a future Secretary General, that is a quite good preparation, because it takes perseverance, also a bit of patience, to climb Alpe D’Huez but though it’s uphill, finally we succeed. And that is exactly how I see the work within NATO. It can be a challenge to get 28 nations to agree, but

at the end of the day, there is a strong consensual spirit. And thanks to that spirit of solidarity, we succeed in making important decisions.

So, we are now starting **one of the most important Summits in the history of our Alliance**, and it is indeed a great pleasure to also welcome you to our NATO Summit here in Wales.

**[It is important because it is seeking the acceptance of war plans directed against the Russian Federation by the 28 member states. What NATO wants is a “consensus” by the 28 member states, a “green light” not only to prepare but to carry out if required an all out war against the Russian Federation]**

Let me also thank wholeheartedly the Atlantic Council for once again organizing the Future Leaders Summit. We really appreciate all your work to create the right framework for engaging the next generation in our important work and I attach great importance to involving you in our work to strengthen the transatlantic bond, and I would also, right from the outset, thank you warmly for your contributions, your input, earlier this year to strengthening our transatlantic bond. It has been a great inspiration for us in the preparations for our Summit.

Growing up in Denmark in the 1960's, I came of age in a Europe that was divided and dangerous. When everything could end in the flash of a nuclear exchange. Your experience has been very different. You came of age after the fall of the Berlin Wall in a Europe where conflict had been contained. Where dividing lines were being erased. And where freedom, stability and prosperity appeared to be the natural state of affairs.

**Russia's aggression against Ukraine has been a wake-up call. It has reminded us, reminded all of us, that our freedom, security and prosperity cannot be taken for granted.**

**That some are trying to redraw dividing lines in Europe with force and in blood. So a Europe whole, free and at peace remains a work in progress.**

NATO has stood firm in the face of this challenge. **We have suspended our cooperation with Russia. We have boosted our cooperation with our partner Ukraine.** We have strengthened our collective defence. And we have left no doubt that we will do whatever it takes to defend ourselves.

**NATO propaganda posits “Russian aggression against Ukraine” using fake evidence, false flags accusing Russia of downing Malaysian airlines MH17. The US, the UK and NATO are supporting an illegal coalition government with Neo-Nazi elements and a National Guard which displays Nazi symbols.**

**Obama confirmed on September 3 that “Russian combat forces with Russian weapons in Russian tanks” had been deployed in Eastern Ukraine.**

**That's not only a Lie, it is Lie which could potentially precipitate humanity into a Third World War.**

**Observers from the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) “have registered no troops, ammunition or weapons crossing the Russian-Ukrainian border**

**NATO backed up Obama's statements with “fake” satellite images (28 August**

2014) that allegedly “show Russian combat forces engaged in military operations inside the sovereign territory of Ukraine”. These statements are refuted by a detailed report of the OSCE monitoring mission stationed at the Russia-Ukraine border. The NATO reports including its satellite photos were based on fake evidence.]

But Russia’s aggressive behaviour is not the only challenge we face.

We see the greatest number of crises since the end of the Cold War, emerging at the same time in different places on our periphery. A climate of chaos beyond our borders which could have direct implications for us at home. From criminal regimes and violent extremists to crippling cyber attacks.

**[This crisis of chaos is a direct result of US-NATO sponsored wars and covert operations extending over half a century]**

It is for all these reasons that the Wales Summit is a critical Summit. At a critical time. And it is why today and tomorrow, we will forge a stronger NATO for a more complex and chaotic world.

We will adopt a Readiness Action Plan that will make our forces faster, fitter, and more flexible. Ready to address any challenges. Whenever they come. And from wherever they come.

We already have much of the equipment, capabilities and expertise that we need. But some changes to our force posture, positioning and infrastructure will be needed. In short: more visible presence in the East. And this will require continued investment in modern, deployable forces.

**[What this means is that NATO intends to militarize Eastern Europe, deploy its forces on Russia’s doorstep and threaten Russia with military action. These military deployments could lead the World into a World War III scenario which could in turn lead humanity into a nuclear war]**

Our Summit will be a key opportunity to reverse the trend of declining defence budgets. And to share the responsibilities for security more fairly across the Alliance.

**[What is proposed is to increase military budgets and boost the production of advanced weapons systems to the detriment of all other categories of expenditure including health, education, housing and social welfare.**

**This is a multibillion dollar bonanza for the “defense contractors”, the security and mercenary companies. What this means for Europe and North America is poverty and unemployment. “War is good for business”.]**

We will also use our Summit to strengthen our partnerships. To improve our ability to work with partners to tackle common challenges. And to help partners to develop their own capacity to spread stability in their regions.

Finally, our Summit will be an opportunity to enhance the transatlantic bond that is so essential to our security and our well-being. As I mentioned, a few months ago, several of you made valuable suggestions for strengthening that bond. And I want to thank you once

again for that strong engagement. And for your innovative ideas.

**[What this signifies is that the Pentagon will continue to play an overriding role in determining NATO military doctrine, largely to the detriment of the European Union]**

Dear friends,

Here in Wales, NATO's 28 Allies will demonstrate our commitment to our security. To our shared values. And to our vision for a better Europe. We will equip ourselves with new tools to defend that vision. And to turn it into reality.

**[In practice, NATO's New Tool's to Defend "Our Vision for a Better Europe" will encroach upon the implementation of a "real European Project". It will reinforce the clutch of neoliberalism and undermine European sovereignty. It will also contribute to the militarization of law enforcement and the curtailment of civil liberties.**

**Europe will be subordinate to US Hegemony. It will also create barriers in the conduct of European relations with other countries including Russia and China]**

I look to you to play your part too. You believe in NATO. You are young leaders. And you can decide what your future will be.

So follow us closely over the next days. And then go back to your countries, your cities and your communities. Tell your family, your friends, and your colleagues what we did here in Wales.

Tell them that the unique bond between North America and Europe is the anchor of our freedom, our security and our prosperity.

**[The transformation of the EU into a US proxy entity dominated by Wall Street and Washington]**

Tell them that NATO is not a Cold War relic but a powerful tool for dealing with the threats of today and tomorrow.

**[The only threat to the members states is US military hegemony and the complicity of the political leaders who are serving the interests of Washington]**

Help make our vision of a Europe whole, free and at peace a reality.

**[There is no peace with NATO]**

Thank you very much.

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