

## Neoliberals and Neocons Declare "All Options on the Table" in Venezuela

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Even though we now know there is zero evidence **Donald Trump** colluded with the Russians, neocon talking heads are still babbling about the discredited conspiracy theory and working it into facile monologues.

For instance, **Samatha Vinograd**, a "national security" analyst at Propaganda One, CNN. Ms. Vinograd is a former Obama NSC member and a former senior advisor to the president, a David E. Rockefeller Fellow at the Trilateral Commission, a Millennium Fellow at the Atlantic Council where the Russian collusion nonsense is kept alive, and also a facilitator of fascist relationships—public-private (see "Economic Fascism" by DiLorenzo)—in service to the vampire squid wrapped around the face of humanity, Goldman Sachs.

Former Goldman Sachs banker & Obama official turned pro-war CNN mouthpiece <u>@sam\_vinograd</u> chides Trump for not forcing (directly attacking) Russia to leave Syria and Venezuela while neo-colonist host <u>@vausecnn</u> bemoans he doesn't enforce the Monroe Doctrine <u>pic.twitter.com/OJvXiODnw6</u>

— Dan Cohen (@dancohen3000) March 29, 2019

There is very little the US can do about Russia in its "backyard"—and it has no internationally recognized right to do so unless Russia directly threatens the United States, which it has not (unless we consider delivering humanitarian aid to starving Venezuelans an act of war, as the neocons do).

Vinograd is not simply another attractive young talking head selling the establishment line on foreign policy. As noted above, she is a Trilateralist and a member of The Atlantic Council. This means what she tells us during this interview will more than likely be adopted in some form or other by the Trump administration, now fully neo-conized at the highest levels.

It is important to note Vinograd's opening remark combines a criticism of the president's performance and also the debunked and discredited Russian election collusion op engineered by a petulant Hillary Clinton and the DNC to take down the duly elected president of the United States.

It's not that Vinograd doesn't know about the Mueller investigation summary admitting the special inquisitor doesn't have a case against Trump. Rather it is an attempt to move away

from that reality and continue to target the New Hitler, Vladimir Putin. This is the new meal ticket for the military-industrial-surveillance complex now that the artificially manufactured Islamic State is almost "defeated" in Syria. The government long ago stopped promoting peace dividends.

Now we have the ever-pugnacious **John Bolton**, neocon foreign policy demagogue and special national security adviser to the president. Bolton told Russia the US government and its owners lay claim to the Western Hemisphere.

"We strongly caution actors external to the Western Hemisphere against deploying military assets to Venezuela," said Bolton, "or elsewhere in the Hemisphere, with the intent of establishing or expanding military operations... We will consider such provocative actions as a direct threat to international peace and security in the region."

Neocon John can only get away with saying this due to the lamentable fact most Americans are almost entirely clueless on the history of US intervention in Central and South America. If they knew anything about the coups, election rigging, paramilitary death squads, and and massive corruption they might think twice about what Bolton said.

Bolton's threat came two days after Trump said, "all options are on the table" in regard to Russia's presence in Venezuela. In typical Trumpian fashion—somewhere between a mob boss and a festooned carnival barker—the president demanded Russia "get out" of Caracas. He made the remark in Washington during a meeting with Fabiana Rosales, the wife of Juan Guaido.

Putin checkmated Trump and his neocons—for now. On March 25 Venezuela said, "self-proclaimed "Interim President" Juan Guaido and other opposition leaders were involved in a plot to carry out acts of terrorism employing foreign paramilitaries trained in Colombia," according to sources at <u>Venezuelananlysis.com</u>.

According to [Communications Minister Jorge Rodriguez], Venezuelan intelligence services uncovered plans to contract mercenaries from Colombia and Central America and bring them into Venezuela to execute targeted killings and acts of sabotage, adding that "at least half" of the armed groups managed to make their way into Venezuelan territory and are currently being sought.

If Venezuela's intelligence is accurate, one the largest private banks in the country served as a paymaster for these mercenary terrorists.

The [Whatsapp] screen captures [on the phone of Guaido's arrested chief of staff, Roberto Marrero] also revealed details of alleged bank accounts through which payments to the paramilitary groups were supposed to be made. One of them was in Banesco's Panama branch. Banesco is Venezuela's largest private bank, and Rodriguez called on Banesco owner Ricardo Escotet to inform security services whether this account exists and what movements have been made.

President Trump is known for his impatience. He wants to do something now about

Venezuela and its massive oil reserve, the largest in the world. Russia is in Caracas to foil any attempt to outright invade the country and provide assistance to track down mercenaries plotting to stage violence and terror attacks.

The neoliberal masterminds with their neocon collaborators behind US foreign policy know going to war with Russia is not doable. They believe a "democratic revolution" in Venezuela from below—using the usual NED and subversion NGO partners—or short of that a violent coup attempt, are not possible if Russia stands in the way, as it did in Syria.

For now, we will continue to hear neocons like Bolton and globalist insiders like Vinograd declaring Manifest Destiny and the Monroe Doctrine are still in force and represent the will of the American people, which is of course a wagonload of manure.

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