

Selected Articles: Aleppo Social Media Disinformation Hype, Palestine's Achilles Heel, Political Crisis in Germany

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[**"Newspeak" and the Duplicity of Mainstream Journalism**](#)

By [Julian Rose](#), December 22 2016

We are faced by a shocking fact these days: the profession of journalism, and I speak of mainstream media journalism, has descended into truly toxic levels of printed and broadcast disinformation. One can now virtually count on the fact that what is being said on any topic of political significance, will be a carefully scripted trotting-out of government and corporate propaganda. That is not journalism. That is what George Orwell called 'Newspeak'.



[**The Aleppo Social Media Disinformation Hype: Seven Year Old Bana Al-Abed's Last Tweet**](#)

By [Sophie Mangal](#), December 22 2016

It seems that the little girl posts the information about the situation in the city 24/7. Aleppo is a city of constant fighting, where no one can easily access the Internet. Her account looks perfect in terms of English language. Celebs, Western journalists, bloggers contribute to the viral dissemination of Bana's posts.



[**#StandWithAleppo = Fake News. Let's Celebrate The Liberation of Aleppo**](#)

By [Ken Stone](#), December 22 2016

The Hamilton Coalition To Stop The War today issued the following statement: #STANDWITHALEPPO = fake news, Let's Celebrate the Liberation of Aleppo!



[UN Report Whitewashes Terrorist Attack on Aleppo Humanitarian Convoy](#)

By [Stephen Lendman](#), December 22 2016

The UN report read like a Washington-written script – a fabricated account, illegitimate fake news. Despite no evidence suggesting it, “(t)he Board found that, while the incident was caused by an air attack, it was not possible to identify the perpetrator or perpetrators.” Fact: The attack was launched from the ground by US-supported terrorists, perhaps directed by their American handlers, CIA and other elements on the ground.



[Palestine’s Achilles Heel: The Begging Bowl](#)

By [Dr. Vacy Vlazna](#), December 22 2016

Poor Palestine – the major Palestinian players, Fatah and Hamas have degraded and set back the liberation movement by crawling with begging bowls to self-interested, absolutely not Palestine-interested, Arab states, and furthermore both are fickle beggars switching loyalties to conform to the US volatile currents in the Middle East.



[Political Crisis in Germany, The Berlin Truck Attack and the Refugee Question](#)

By [Dr. Binoy Kampmark](#), December 22 2016

The hard-nosed neo-cons were certainly showing little interest in linking arguments, examining evidence, or even considering elementary logic in the aftermath of the Berlin truck attack near the Gedächtniskirche. With the bodies fresh in the morgue, former US ambassador to the United Nations, John Bolton, peered into the mind of the everyday German, and found teeth chattering fear.

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