

Selected Articles: Globalization and Social Inequality, Manning's Overdue Freedom, NATO: An Obsolete Cold War Construct

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[Globalization and Social Inequality: Obscene Wealth of Eight Mega-Billionaires](#)

By [Stephen Lendman](#), January 18 2017

The super-wealth of an elite eight equals a staggering \$427 billion – as much as humanity's 3.6 billion poorest, struggling daily to survive, many not making it. Oxfam highlighted unprecedented global inequality, threatening social stability. The chasm between super-rich and desperate poor is obscene.



[US Army Whistle-blower Manning's Overdue Freedom Granted Amid Shameless Political Stunt](#)

By [Tony Cartalucci](#), January 18 2017

Headlines are announcing the early release of US Army whistle-blower Private Manning from a jail sentence that began in 2013 and was to last 35 years. Manning is accused of passing US government documents to information clearing house Wikileaks before being arrested and charged for "espionage" in 2010.



[NATO, An Obsolete Cold War Military Construct: Donald Trump and the History of the Atlantic Alliance](#)

By [Dr. Binoy Kampmark](#), January 18 2017

It should be a point of some delicious reflection for peace activists who have fought for decades against the nature of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation. It brought the US deep into West European affairs, turning European states into garrisons. It involved the stationing of nuclear weapons. It compelled member states to go to war if the security of

any one was threatened or breached. Donald Trump, however, has little time for it.



[Nepalese Women: Symbols of Historical Achievements and Political Leadership](#)

By [Barbara Nimri Aziz](#), January 18 2017

Nepal is perhaps unique in the world of nations today with its three top public offices occupied by women: Bidhya Devi Bhandari is president; Sushila Karki is chief justice; and Onsari Gharti Magar is speaker of Nepal's parliament. This record is particularly noteworthy in a fledgling democracy, a new Asian republic that since its founding in 2008, has been by members of Nepal's communist and Maoist parties.



[Regime Change Comes Home: The CIA's Overt Threats against Trump](#)

By [Prof. James Petras](#), January 18 2017

During the election process, and in the run-up to the inauguration of US President-Elect Donald Trump, fundamental electoral institutions were challenged and coercive institutions were activated to disqualify the elected president and desperate overt public pronouncements threatened the entire electoral order. We will proceed by outlining the process that is used to undermine the constitutional order, including the electoral process and the transition to the inauguration of the elected president.

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