

## Selected Articles: North Korea: America's Lethal Legacy

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### [Making History: China and Russia Are Transforming "Enemies" into "Friends"](#)

By [Federico Pieraccini](#), October 18, 2017

Russia, China and Iran have in recent years drawn enormous benefit from the declining military and economic power of the United States, further propelled by a general mistrust of Washington's diplomatic and political abilities, both with Obama and now with Trump. The two previous articles showed that Moscow, Beijing and Tehran, even as they addressed different situations, shared similar interests and came to coordinate their military, economic and diplomatic strategy.



## [The U.S. Bombed Afghanistan More in September than Any Month Since 2010, but the “Death Toll” Remains Hidden](#)

By [Emran Feroz](#), October 18, 2017

According to news reports, another 4,000 U.S. soldiers are slated for deployment to Afghanistan. However, Trump [himself admitted](#) the true numbers will remain in the dark, saying in his August 21 speech that the number of U.S. troops deployed to Afghanistan, Iraq, Syria and other countries would not be released by his administration in the future.



## [North Korea - As Trump Threatens, the Nation Still Struggles with America’s Lethal Legacy](#)

By [Felicity Arbuthnot](#), October 18, 2017

The US is undoubtedly the “Leader of the Free World” in one thing: killing. It is also clearly the undisputed king of overkill and the most murderous of legacies, ensuring its actions will never be forgotten or indeed forgiven by the populations affected. Which of course, is why North Korea is trying to ensure it is powerfully enough armed to deter another attack. Whatever it has or has not achieved in this respect, compared to America’s planet threatening nuclear arsenal, it is utterly insignificant, for all Washington’s undiplomatic, bombastic bluster.



## [Will the Kirkuk Campaign Lead to Regime Change in Kurdistan?](#)

By [Andrew Korybko](#), October 18, 2017

According to the Iraqi Constitution, the Kurds’ moves are illegal, hence why Prime Minister Abadi asked them several times over the past month to reverse their pro-independence path, allow the return of federal forces to their region, and surrender Kirkuk back to the central government. The Kurds refused to do any of this, which is why the Iraqi Army was ordered to reclaim the disputed city in what was a [largely non-violent operation](#), albeit one which the Kurds [described](#) as a “declaration of war”.



## [Masked and Armed with Rifles: Military Security Firms Roam Streets of San Juan, Puerto Rico](#)

By [Joel Cintrón Arbasetti](#), October 18, 2017

Two other men dressed in military uniforms standing at another corner of Ciudadela said they worked for a private company, but also refused to reveal the name.



## [The Iran Dilemma - The Tyrant Has Spoken](#)

By [Peter Koenig](#), October 18, 2017

Iran is beyond sanctions. Iran is already part of the new economic system - the one emanating from the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO), led by China and Russia, and detached from the dollar hegemony. Therefore, slandering Iran, threatening Iran with war and sanctions or both, is one big bluff - and Trump, Netanyahu's puddle, believe the world will go for it.

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