

## Selected Articles: America “Down the Rabbit Hole”

By [Global Research News](#)

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### [Kill the Culture, Destroy a Nation](#)

By [Timothy Alexander Guzman](#), February 17, 2020

Just last month, if you remember, U.S. **President Donald Trump** had threatened Iran in a barrage of tweets that his regime “have targeted 52 Iranian sites (representing the 52 American hostages taken by Iran many years ago), some at a very high level & important to Iran & the Iranian culture” and that they “Will Be Hit Very fast And Very Hard” so much for his support of the Iranian people Trump had claimed in the past. Trump did not follow through with his threats, perhaps slightly disappointing Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.



### [Mistrial Is Another Blow to US Coup in Venezuela](#)

By [Kevin Zeese](#) and [Margaret Flowers](#), February 17, 2020

The day our trial started, Juan Guaido returned to Venezuela where he was harassed and physically assaulted by protesters. He is unable to muster support at home even from the opposition. Guaido’s presidential charade is fading but the United States has not given up on its regime change campaign in Venezuela. New sanctions are being imposed and there have been recent attacks of sabotage within the country that resemble ones backed by the US in other countries to cause disruption and discord. As Citizens of Empire, we must continue to oppose US intervention in other countries.



### [The Middle East: Ground Zero for Possible Global War?](#)

By [Stephen Lendman](#), February 17, 2020

Will the curse of Middle East oil escalate new millennium wars? Oil is a strategic source of world power. Controlling it is a way to control nations.

Middle East countries have over half the world’s proved reserves. Regional resource wars aim to control them.

Preemptive US wars have nothing to do with protecting national security at a time when the nation's only threats are invented, a phony pretext to smash one nation after another in the Middle East, Central Asia and North Africa, threatening others elsewhere.



### [The Embassy Defenders: Mistrial in US Federal Court Is a Win for Venezuela's Sovereignty](#)

By [Leonardo Flores](#), February 16, 2020

A jury of 12 Washington D.C. residents were deadlocked over the issue of the embassy defenders on February 14, forcing the judge to declare a mistrial in a blow to the federal government and to a judicial system that stacked the odds. The embassy defenders – **Adrienne Pine, Margaret Flowers, Kevin Zeese and David Paul** – had been accused of “interfering with the protective functions” of the State Department after they, as part of the Embassy Protection Collective, had spent 37 days in the Venezuelan Embassy in Washington DC from April 11-May 16, protecting it from an illegal takeover by the U.S.-backed supporters of **Juan Guaidó**.



### [“We the People Refuse to Fight”: Abandon the Battlefield!](#)

By [Prof Michel Chossudovsky](#), February 14, 2020

The ISIS is what the CIA calls an “an intelligence asset” which is recruited, trained and financed by the US and its allies.

Irrespective of the US Commander in Chief's decision namely president **Donald Trump**, US and coalition troops stationed in Iraq and Afghanistan have a moral and legal obligation to “**Abandon the Battlefield**” and we must make that choice possible for individual servicemen and women currently in Iraq.



### [Bolivian Elections Will be an Opportunity to Legalize the Coup](#)

By [Lucas Leiroz de Almeida](#), February 14, 2020

The next Bolivian presidential elections were scheduled for May 3. The scenario in the country remains troubled, marked by the unrest and tensions created by the coup that led to the overthrow of **Evo Morales**. On the one hand, candidates from the right stand up enthusiastically with the intention of neutralizing any possible resurrection of the left. On the other hand, Morales, although with undeniable popular support, currently does not seem to have enough strength to face the right forces.



## [North Macedonia Is Being Used by NATO to Target Serbia and Russia](#)

By [Paul Antonopoulos](#), February 14, 2020

The North Macedonian House of Representatives unanimously approved on Monday for their country to accept the NATO Accession Protocol, taking the former Yugoslav Republic a step closer towards accession into NATO which is expected to be completed and finalized in the spring. North Macedonia's rapid accession into NATO is only possible because of the Prespa Agreement signed between Athens and Skopje in June 2018, bringing an end to the name dispute between the two countries that emerged in 1991 with the breakup of Yugoslavia.

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