

## Large Maneuvers of War in Europe Under US Command. Manlio Dinucci

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President Biden authorized Ukraine to "conduct limited attacks inside Russia with American-made weapons," U.S. officials said. Some U.S. allies had already gone further. Britain weeks ago allowed Ukraine to use its long-range Storm Shadow missile systems for attacks anywhere in Russia, and France and Germany recently took the same position.

The decision announced by President Biden is due in particular to pressure from **Secretary of State Antony Blinken** to lift restrictions on Ukraine's use of U.S. weapons. NATO **Secretary General Jens Stoltenberg** was tasked with pre-announcing Washington's decision to the European Allies. Speaking at the Council of the European Union, he said,

"According to international law, Ukraine has the right to self-defense. And the right to self-defense also includes hitting legitimate military targets inside Russia."

At the same time Poland announced the purchase of long-range missiles from the United States and declared it was "ready to host NATO nuclear weapons." Sweden did the same: having just joined NATO, it declared that it was "willing to host U.S. nuclear weapons in case of war."

France has tested a new air-launched nuclear missile and allocated 13 percent of its military budget to upgrading its nuclear weaponry.

Against what targets in Russia the long-range missiles supplied by the U.S. and other NATO countries to Ukraine are directed is shown by the news released by Kiev that "a Ukrainian drone targeted a second Russian long-range military radar." This is an early warning radar

designed to detect even hypersonic ballistic missiles and aircraft up to 10,000 km away.

It is impossible for the Ukrainian military to carry out such an attack alone deep into Russian territory. The Ukrainian army is in increasing difficulty, so much so that Kiev has passed a law allowing it to recruit from prisons ordinary prisoners, even criminals, willing to go to the front in exchange for freedom.

For more such an attack requires a satecllitary military network that Ukraine does not have. Conducting such attacks against Russia are actually U.S. and NATO forces under U.S. command. Countries like Italy, which "host" U.S. nuclear weapons, violating the Non-Proliferation Treaty, are thus turned into the front line of a nuclear confrontation with Russia that is more dangerous than that of the Cold War.

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