Towards World War III: by Biden, Putin, Zelensky, Xi Jinping

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Tuesday, February 21, 2023: President Vladimir Putin in his annual State of the Nation address prepared Russia for a long war and accused the West of planning to destroy Russia.



Feb 21, 2023: President Vladimir Putin delivering the State of Nation Address

Putin suspended the New Start Treaty of 2010 between Russia and USA, indicating that Russia might go for producing more nuclear war heads.



2010: Treaty to limit the number of Nuclear Warheads, signed by

President Barrack Obama and President Dmitry Medvedev

The President accused the west of trying to destroy the moral basis of Russian family system. He asked Russia's businesses to invest in Russia, since the west would not permit them to prosper in the western markets. He announced additional support for families of the fallen soldiers. He also declared additional benefits of higher wages, paid leave and social security for those, who join the volunteer defense forces of Russia.

20th February 2023: President Joe Biden visited Ukraine, by using a train from Poland to Kyiv. The visit was supposed to be secret, but was known to Russia, say Russian sources.



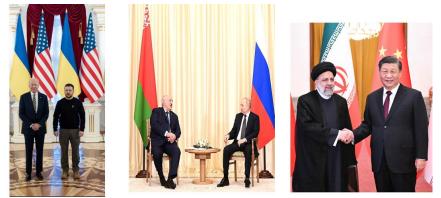
Biden & Zelenskyy, near the Wall of Remembrance

Standing near the Wall of Remembrance for the fallen Ukrainian soldiers, President Biden said," "I thought it was critical that there not be any doubt, none whatsoever, about US support for Ukraine in the war." He also announced additional aid and more sophisticated arms for further prosecution of the war. US has committed \$145 billion in military and financial aid for the war. USA, through NATO, has also been marshalling additional support and new arms like Leopold tanks and missiles from Great Britain and France for Ukraine.

On February 17, 2023, President Alexander Lukashenko of Belarus met President Vladimir Putin at the Novo-Ogaryovo residence outside Moscow. Belarus plans to raise a force of 150,000 to 200,000 during the near future.

USA has imposed additional sanctions on Iran for helping Russia during the Ukraine war. But it is unable to impose sanctions on China because it depends on Chia for all supplies, even though it suspects that China is supporting Russia during the war and has warned Beijing against it. On its part, China's foreign minister Qin Gang said on Tuesday, 21st February 2023, said that China was worried about the escalation of the Ukraine conflict and the possibility of the situation spiralling out of control.

Thus, it seems that both Biden and the west, prodded by Zelenskyy, and Putin, with the support of its allies, are preparing for intensifying the war. Is the west trying to have Putin removed from presidency of Russia?* Is it all leading to WWIII?



Biden & Zelenskyy

Putin & Lukashenko

Xi Jinping & Abdel Rahid

*Ilan Berman says that "the surest way for the West to bring about the change in Russia that it so desperately desires — in the form of a sustained, powerful internal opposition to Vladimir Putin and his regime — is to ensure that Ukraine keeps winning." **Reference:** Article by Ilan Berman is senior vice president of the American Foreign Policy Counc<u>il</u> in Washington, D.C. in 'the Hill' at <u>https://tinyurl.com/mr2fwsn4</u>

Note: 1.On January 17, 2023, in "Ukraine: Arms for a more Ferocious War" at https://diginews360.com/ukraine-arms-for-a-more-ferocious-war/, DiGiNews360.com had expressed its concern that the NATO meeting at Ramstein, Germany may lead to a more ferocious war with more arms from NATO.

2. Please also read "Ukrain War: No truce on Christmas" of Jan 6 at <u>https://diginews360.com/ukraine-war-no-truce-on-christmas-church/</u>.

3. The Readers may have deciphered the hope of DiGiNews360 for peace from the weak signals in the newsitems on rebuilding Ukraine expressed in (*i*) "*Rebuilding Ukraine*" at <u>https://diginews360.com/re-building-ukraine/</u> of January 12, 2023 and in (*ii*) "Ukraine War: Peace Proposals" of December 2022 at <u>https://diginews360.com/ukraine-war-peace-proposals/</u>. The weak signals have withered away.

Rather than using resources for Ukraine war and for going towards WWIII and

- to avoid the high inflation, which is impoverishing the poor even in the rich countries of the west, and
- for safeguarding and enhancing democratic movement in the world,

DiGiNews360.com, had said: "For safeguarding democracies, DiGiNews360 calls upon the larger and stronger democracies to create multinational groups under NATO or G-20 to eliminate Boko Haram in Africa, Lashkar-e-Taiba and D-company etc. in Pakistan." It seems the democracies in the developing world will have to strengthen the democratic movement through bootstrapping themselves.