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## *The Global Crisis of Truth*

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Perhaps it is commonplace to say that in the face of the evident inability of the governments of Ukraine and NATO to obtain successes in the field of war, the main effort of the war is increasingly waged in the media in which the United States and the West still retain great advantage given the control they maintain over the media cultural apparatus that sets the guidelines regarding truth and truth. lie, of what is and is not, of what happens and does not happen.

It was "natural" that these instruments resorted to information subjugation to construct false "truths", but it was also normal to appeal to pretense and subtlety in language, trying

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to keep a composure that supported their hackneyed discourse of "freedom of the press", "equal rights of citizens before the law", "respect for the physical and moral integrity of citizens", the "innocence of people before proven guilty" and other hoaxes that have been built over the centuries to sustain the prevailing scheme of domination.



La guerra en Ucrania ha echado por la borda todas esas engañifas. Ahora se acude impudicamente a la mentira, incluso por encima de impedimentos legales que el propio sistema del capital ha creado para garantizar su control de la sociedad. Lo grave del asunto es que tal situación ha hecho carne en la propia Organización de Naciones Unidas (ONU) que se ha asumido como parte interesada en el conflicto europeo, lo cual es natural si se considera que el secretario general proviene de un país miembro de la OTAN y que como primer ministro de su país secundó todas las acciones terroristas de dicha organización.

En todo el conflicto en Ucrania, la ONU ha tenido protagonismo solo en tres ocasiones: primero para intentar salvar a los nazis que se ocultaban en la fábrica Azov en Mariupol que han sido las únicas personas sujeto de la preocupación del máximo organismo mundial. En segundo lugar, para “mediar” a fin de que la producción de cereal de Ucrania pudiera ser exportada; y ahora, para expresar su preocupación por los ataques contra la Central nuclear de Zaporizhia en el sur de Ucrania.

In the first case, UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres even traveled to Moscow and Kiev to worry about the lives of the Nazis who at that time, using civilians as shields,

occupied the plant and who, given the course of events, it was foreseeable – as it happened – that they would be captured and tried as criminals.

Guterres has said nothing, much less the despicable Michelle Bachelet of the attacks of the Ukrainian armed forces against the civilian population causing countless casualties including children and the elderly. These "military operations" against schools, hospitals and cultural centers are transformed by disinformation transnationals into non-existent "counterattacks and counteroffensives" on the battlefield.

With regard to the difficulties in exporting Ukrainian cereals, the argument was that Russia was preventing the arrival of the ships that had to load the product and that this threatened "a world famine, especially in the poorest countries on the planet". They concealed that the Black Sea ports were mined by Ukraine to prevent the approach of Russian ships and that floating bombs constituted a real danger to ships and crews. The height of media fallacy and institutional hypocrisy has been exposed when of the first seven ships that have left loaded with cereal from Ukraine only one has gone to the "poorest countries on the planet". The others have landed in European or other Mediterranean ports so that the "richest countries on the planet" can increase and guarantee their reserves.



But the third case has surpassed all rationality. The Zaporizhia nuclear plant (the largest in Europe) was occupied by Russian troops on March 4 and has since come under Moscow's control. At the risk of producing a nuclear accident of unspeakable proportions, the Ukrainian armed forces have been bombing the vicinity of the plant and blaming Russia for such events. Who can think of Russia attacking a place where its own troops are?, moreover, being that this is a target of extreme fragility for the security of the region and the world.

The world press has reported that "Ukraine and Russia have poured out mutual accusations that they are attacking the Zaporizhia Power Plant." Faced with this situation, Russia convened the UN Security Council, which did absolutely nothing!

On the contrary, he avoided approving the request of the director of the International Atomic Energy Organization (IAEA), the Argentine Mariano Grossi, who despite being a pawn of the United States, urged Ukraine and Russia to allow the deployment of their experts in Zaporizhia, so that they could inspect the nuclear material of the plant. Grossi himself acknowledged that the plant was occupied by Russia. The UN itself denied any possibility of fulfilling such a mission.

For the UN and for the media, such a commission would verify several things that would make their lie clear. First, to get to Zaporizhia they would have to do it through Moscow, the only way to get to the site, which would demonstrate Russia's control over the plant. The second aspect is that it would be proven that the bomb and missile attacks against the company come from the Ukrainian armed forces, confirming that it is this country and NATO that are endangering Ukraine, Europe and all humanity, breaking the official discourse in this regard.



On another level of disinformation, there is talk of the "invaluable" help of the West to Ukraine as an instrument to support the economy and the war of that country led by a neo-Nazi government. It is "reported" that Ukraine is winning the war. See.

As of August 15, Ukraine had lost 267 fighter jets, 148 helicopters, 1,736 unmanned aerial vehicles (drones), 365 surface-to-air missile systems, 4,297 tanks and other armored fighting vehicles, 3,295 field artillery guns and mortars, 4,858 special military motorized vehicles, which at market price gives a total of approximately 181,017,380,000 dollars (more than 181 billion dollars).

That's not to mention that the Ukrainian government requested 7 billion dollars a month first and 5 billion later, for state operating expenses (54,000 million euros for this year according to German Federal Chancellor Olaf Scholz).

It would be necessary to add the damage to the infrastructure: road, bridges, power plants and others, in addition to the inability of the government to make the productive apparatus

of the country work, especially when the largest and most powerful industrial zone, the most fertile lands for food production and the main mining areas are in the Donbass, that is, in the territories occupied by Russia.



Meanwhile the "aid" (which is not such, but credits and loans) of the West, until July 23 amounted to 48 billion dollars by the United States, of that, only 8.2 billion are of a military nature. For its part, the European Commission approved a package of 9,000 million euros although they have not agreed on how to finance it. In July they only sent 1,000 million. To this we should add that the United Kingdom, Canada and Japan have promised an additional 1,000 million.

It is valid to say that the IMF estimated the deficit in Ukraine's balance of payments at 143 billion dollars and that as of July 22, the government of that country reported that it had received only 12.7 billion dollars. What do these amounts mean next to the more than 181 billion lost in military equipment alone?: minutiae, tips, charity so that Ukrainians continue to die for them, helped by the means that transformed it into "decisive western aid to Ukraine".

In this context, who can say that Ukraine is winning the war? Ukraine has also lost 161,500 km<sup>2</sup> of territory, an area larger than that of England and very close to that of South Vietnam that the United States could never occupy in 20 years of war, equivalent to 20% of the Afghan territory that the United States also controlled in 20 years, countries from which it had to flee after being expelled by their peoples.

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