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In climate, fuel, food, resources, industrialization crises, either it decreases, intervenes, centralizes with intelligence and with a democratic culture, or from here it does not come out

1- Europe did not fare badly, but very well, exchanging coal and steel. Germany has gone chungo, pulling very chungo, with their exchanges to get gas and oil. The exchange of coal and steel, and the exchange of gas and oil are, Therefore, two historical moments of trade, which explain that trade He has changed his function, to the point that he does not know him or his mother, Mrs. Barter, I guess. At the first appointed moment, trade was

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something that It avoided, for the first time, the recurring war between nationalisms. In the Second, trade is, in itself, a recurring war. Literally and little else. Trade, that thing that postponed wars, today cannot avoid, not even a thousandth, war, so war must be in there, in the Very definition of trade. Since the beginning of time, of course, the Trade has never been trade, just like that. It has been an accompanied activity More and more meanings and situations, even feelings. But today There are so many things, and so far removed from trade, that they can be their opposite: disastrous, and consequential interruption of trade by a war. Hello. Martinez. You see, we started abstract. What follows is a Summary of the last few days, in which, to finish it off, more have passed Abstractions. Life, in fact, is a mess, although, on the other hand, no one He told us to come. Lately, by the way, only abstractions pass. Something common in a change of era. The feeling is that everything is so abstract that An attempt is made to invert it with a bare cry, when in truth the abstraction is concrete with whispers. This is going to be the case of this article, of ideas whispered and in the line of surprise. Like the greguerías. *Greguería,exemplum:si el comercio – I give you a leaf in exchange Of two pebbles – not what it seems, imagine everything else.*

2- The prestigious firm BASF leaves Germany. In the third quarter of the year it has earned € 909M in Europe. Little for non-trade. 27.5% less than a year ago. That is why received public funds, in October, amounting to €134M, so that it does not attend to the market and do not get depressed. Large companies, snif, have Universal Income. But that may not be enough, because it happens to big business, antipoetry. As in the poem: they cannot go back, because life already pushes them, like a Endless howl – it is the howl of non-trade.

3- The reason for the loss of BASF's European benefits is the gas and energy thing, which suppose to it, in the last 9 months, an extra cost of € 2,200M, to the point that the great benefits of BASF come only from China and the USA. Europe, in any case, does not surrender to BASF, not even if Europe gives him the money, which explains Europe. It's the Glory Swanson older, though still beautiful, of *The Twilight of the gods,which* gives pasta to an attractive young man, called BASF, so that he stays with her and loves her, but that he messes with the first fresh Chinese or American that crosses your path. *Anyway.* This crisis we are experiencing, prior to the There are many things, but also the European inability to regulate its crazed economic sectors – such as gas and energy; And that's it positions, the financier–, who no longer practice trade, but any other Activity that is crazy and that, like war, only goes back to itself. The energy in Europe is a crazy,

deregulated and ball-driven sector, albeit subjected to ceremonies that ritualize and simulate something that does not happen: the Transparent, logical, rational and simple pricing establishment. About that Baroque ritualization, which prevents us from seeing the open bar of oligopolies – that illegal thing and that does not exist, like roulette in the movie *Casablanca* – here are the benefits, between January and September 2022 – a disastrous year for mortals; the year of the crisis, of the onset of recession–, of various regulated/ritualized companies/ Spanish non-trade: Repsol has gained 66% more, Banc de Sabadell, 92% –92%; 92% – more, Banco de Santander, 25% more, BBVA, 46% more, or Iberdrola 29% more. These benefits speak of a war. It is not Ukraine's. It is a War of companies against citizens. If they open the window of your house, the See. They'll even see it more if they open their mailbox at home, and see the Bills.

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4- The of BASF, the flight of a large chemical company, in the face of incapacity – or worse, the forgetting, the feeling that it is no longer possible, that it never was. intervene in the price of objects and services, when they take the form of oligopoly, is somewhat worse than what is stated. It is a giant step towards deindustrialization of Europe. BASF closes its Ludwigshafen chemical hub, Simply because it can't afford liquefied gas – the one we kick mostly, once Algerian gas was despised; we exchange gas for territories; free of immigration – which is 60% more expensive than bulk gas. Besides its highest price, reports Fernando Rodríguez, consultant and engineer, for that it was an effective option in Germany – and in Europe; even in Spain– it would be necessary to make 4,000 freight/trips per year of boats to the continent, with frozen gas, when there are only 600 LNG carriers on the entire planet, and Only 50 more can be built a year. Each freight costs € 400,000 per day – in June they were going to €70,000; *sic transit gloria mundi*–. These data explain the famous Mid-Cat. It is non-trade. An act of war against economies, which transports gas at 60% more expensive. Like the gas pipeline BCN-Marseille, or BCN-Livorno. That they are not gas pipelines, they are monuments to the non-trade-that-someday-transport-hydrogen-green-that-thing-cheapest-to-manufacture-to-your-vera-than-transport-it-in-gas pipelines.

5- That BASF abandons Gloria Swanson is important. Not because of the 40,000 jobs that They will disappear, zas, which is something already important, but for half a million jobs which can drag, when a large link disappears, a Part of the chain, come on, of the German chemical industry. That is, in short, the deindustrialization, as the natives of Ferrol,

Sagunto, Cádiz know, Reinosa, Barcelona... The factory closes and, a year later, they do not even open the oysters. But it is even more serious if we think that there are many European industries. – German and non-German – which are in the same position as BASF. Michelin, in the first half of 2022, it has lost 8% in Europe, although it has gained 29% more in China. Mercedes, in the third quarter of this year, has placed 42% of its sales – a lot – in China, where it saves results. This year, in addition, confirms an important fact: Germany, fourth economy in the world after the USA, China and Japan, will pass, everything indicates it, to fifth place, surpassed by a USA state only. California. Which is a symbol. Germany is Shocked. That's why he doesn't speak. Or he does speak. Full.

6- Germany is not Silent. Speech. All the time. And it does so as in the crisis of 2008. Across of the European institutions. Germany, therefore, speaks through Von der Read. That is, it is dumbfounded and devoid of blueprints and plans. Something possibly normal, if you thought you were building a solid trade and a solid peace with the East since Willy Brandt, who had sealed all that with Gas and oil for decades, and then it turns out that it was all non-trade. In in any case, Germany is not doing what might be the most logical thing to do. Save your economy, in German mode, betting on the exchange of gas and oil, and thereby pressing for the end of the war in Ukraine with a favorable outcome. to Putin. That he does not, however, does not imply that he is doing something clear, or clearly interpretable at this time.

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7- This week, for example, Scholz has traveled to China. On the agenda: collaboration industrial. That is, offshoring, I suppose. The price of oil, maritime transport of manufactured goods, encouraged the idea that Europe would go back to manufacturing. The price of gas, the fuel with which it is manufactured, Push that idea away. In the German delegation traveled Mr. BASF, BMW, Siemens, ADIDAS and, I suppose, even Caramelen Viuden von Solano. At the honorable ceremony At the opening of the meeting, the correspondent of *La Vanguardia* explains that the Chinese delegation He spoke of the "problems for the rules-based world order." I'm afraid, glups, that's what's at stake. Worldwide. A world with rules, or a world with the rules of states, which are those of non-trade. The rules of the game are important, because without game rules there are no games, but only work.

8- In any case, the drama is as follows. UK, a state with full sovereignty – that is, little and only over Its citizens, as was seen with its debt crisis a few weeks ago, it looks like the

EU, which is not a state but something bigger and with more resources and more sovereignty, in which it lacks tools to intervene in the price of gas, For example. Which illustrates the European error. It behaves like a state, but It's not. If an important economic region of the planet cannot intervene in The absurd price of objects and services, turn off and let's go.

9- Intervention not only It's going to be the difference between – something like – left and right in the century. XXI, but between intelligence and its absence. In climate crisis, Fuel, food, resources, industrialization – every week We gain a word to incorporate into the word crisis – or decrease, It intervenes, it centralizes itself with intelligence and with a democratic culture, or from here It doesn't come out. Do not miss, by the way, *The Capital in the era of the Anthropocene*, by Kohei Saito. I'm eating it with Potatoes. Big. I'll tell you.

The intervention is not only going to be the difference between –something similar to– left and right in the twenty-first century, but between the intelligence and its absence

10- BASF It is a metaphor of the time. And Maersk, of the intelligence poured. Maersk is a Danish shipping company. It has gogo boats, which cross the planet filling it of trade and non-trade products, as well as carbon. For the There should be non-trade, change of model. For the decarbonization, Maersk announces the construction of a megaproject in Spain to make hydrogen and methanol, green, like everything. It's such a sexy project that the Government is considering associating with it, something that did not happen since the INI – that it is explained because Moncloa is the INI that manages European funds; that explains in turn why the PP wants to return to Moncloa; For that paste, I'm afraid; That also explains why the management of the funds will not be brilliant: requires INI intelligence, not four cats. Antonio Turiel, a luxury Intellectual, he explains, however, that this fuel is expensive and ineffective for its intended function. Moreover, it may not fulfill its function. Or not in the way so Glorious intended. The solution lies in reducing maritime non-trade. Intervene, limit it, before it limits itself, for reasons non-commercial, and replace it with commerce. However, the Maersk case I have sneaked here to talk about intelligence. While there is its opposite –is on the extreme right 2.0, a non-reading of the world, but of its fury, of their thirst for solutions – there is still no government intelligence planetary, who knows how to read and act. What begins to be dramatic, because it exists outside governments.

11- It is unlikely that this Government intelligence exists, because intelligence is not in the Governments. By definition, it's outside, if we think governments don't They think, but

they act. A football club must know which are the best Strikers of the world, and sign as many as you can. What you require information. A government must do the same. With your advisors. I'm afraid that the Change of government intelligence needed will not happen via elections –where the opposite will happen first–, but via directors-general. And it's not happening on the planet, as El Planeta explains.

11- Example of Non-applied intelligence. Faced with the timid, extraordinary attempt to impose a tax on Spanish banks by Sánchez, the ECB has intervened sabotaging The proposal. It can be outrageous. But it is, and even more, common. Moncloa did it with Work to sabotage the labor reform. The ECB has thus marked a *labor reform of Boston*, An effort of non-trade, of non-intelligence, of the unsustainable, on Otherwise. For the same reason, all this draws the moment. The ECB is sustaining Europe, violating the rules, preventing the South from being eaten by speculation, mutualizing debt, in what is certainly intelligent. But it is also fighting, at the same time, for the non-trade pack, because it starts from His being is that. And, thus, a bunch of institutions. They are from XX and XXI. At the time. Like Sanchez. Like even the cat.

12- Europe is the only thing that we have. That is, we have nothing but an improbable possibility. But Barbarism is the opposite. This week Feijóo has broken off negotiations for the resurrection, not the renewal, of the CGPJ. The function of the President of the PP is be Galician. Stand in profile between non-trade, non-health, non-urbanism MAD and the rest of the PP. And, even so, prevent the PP-MAD from overdoing it, going back to believe that MAD is Spain and break the toy. And Feijóo has not been able to fulfill its function. And, with this, a latent confrontation has been more nuanced between that extreme right 2.0 and Europe. Someday, that confrontation Will culminate. It's fate.

13- In any case, the Spanish justice, its leadership, is already a European exception. Something of which, of Somehow, that dome must already be aware. The Supreme Court has crossed several borders. It has disobeyed European authorities on several occasions, related to the Catalonia thing. That is to say, it has opted for the Polish and Hungarian, sovereigntist way. of trying to avoid recognition of a higher instance. And, with it, It has stultified intellectually. Its limbs possess a terrible macula, of the that there will be surnames that will not be detached in generations, as often happens with those macules in Justice. This week the judgment of the Supreme Court has been issued for the Bankia/Rato case. Innocent. While regulatory authorities of the banks committed crimes for them, by authorizing the Bankia operation, unauthorized. Marchena, creative jurist who gave rise to the concept "violence" environmental", to condemn violence that did not occur, has now

seen growth His creature to the point of "environmental crime", a figure that prevents condemning Possible criminals when there are others above them. The JEC – it is not a Judicial institution, but believes it – on the other hand, has not recognized this week something that had been recognised by European justice. That Puigdemont and his friends They are MEPs.

14- Feijóo, being located in the European far-right 2.0, used, by the way, Puigdemont. Puigdemont It is far-right 2.0, in turn, which shows the richness, the success of that sector. That European, American, Asian right can be extremely opposed and contradictory from one society to another. As it happens in the UK, whose new minister Interior Ministry, of immigrant origin, is openly racist with immigration. That electricity and contradiction can supply intelligence in the world in this crisis.

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