

**VLADIMIR VLADIMIROVICH SPEAKS OUT:
BEWARE THE GROWING MENACE IN THE EAST OF UKRAINE !**

In an interview, yesterday, with the President of The Russian Federation, **Arbeitsgemeinschaft der öffentlich-rechtlichen Rundfunkanstalten der Bundesrepublik Deutschland (ARD)**, a 1950 consortium of public broadcasters in Germany, was told that there is growing concern that Ukraine is headed in the direction of ethnic cleansing.

President Vladimir Vladimirovich Putin, during an interview with Mr Hubert Seipel of ARD, said, among other things:

‘Frankly speaking, we (The Russian Federation) are very concerned about any possible ethnic cleansings and Ukraine ending up as a neo-Nazi state. What are we supposed to think if people are bearing swastikas on their sleeves? Or what about the SS emblems that we see on the helmets of some military units now fighting in eastern Ukraine? If it is a civilized state, where are the authorities looking? At least they could get rid of this uniform, they could make the nationalists remove these emblems.’

As President Vladimir Putin was giving this ARD interview, more Russian troops along with columns of heavy armament were streaming across the Russian-Ukrainian border, all headed to the eastern part of Ukraine.

And, while this was going on, Ukrainian National Guard units were on the way to the east of the country, prepared to take military action against the separatists who claim that parts of the east of the country are, now, sovereign states, having separated from Ukraine, following the results of recently held referenda.

According to President Vladimir Putin, one of the main reasons that the separatists have not surrendered certain parts of the east of the country – as they promised in the Minsk Agreements – is that they fear reprisals.

He said:

‘Indeed, self-defense fighters, for example, were supposed to leave some of the towns they had surrounded, are yet they haven’t left. Do you know why not? I will tell you plainly, this is no secret: because the people fighting against the Ukrainian army say, ‘These are our villages, we come from there. Our families and our loved ones live there. If we leave, nationalist battalions will come and kill everyone. We will not leave, you can kill us yourselves.’

‘That is why we have fears that it may all end up this way. If it happens it would be a catastrophe for Ukraine and Ukrainian people.’

As the interview with ARD progressed, the more that he talked, the more that it became very obvious that President Vladimir Putin was extremely well versed as to the intricate details with regard to the present situation in Ukraine, almost as though he had ‘moles’, reporting to him on a daily basis.

And, indeed, this is the case: President Petro Oleksiyovych Poroshenko of Ukraine, knows it; President Barack Hussein Obama of The United States of America knows it; Prime Minister David William Donald Cameron of Great Britain knows it; Chancellor Angela Dorothea Merkel of The Federal Republic of Germany knows it; and, every leading politician of the Western World that is worth his/her salt knows it.

While President Vladimir Putin continues to attest that Russian troops and Russian-produced, heavy armaments are not being trucked across the border in order to bolster the military ability of the eastern Ukrainian separatists, it is well known that Ukrainian communications and command structures are permeated with persons, loyal to The Russian Federation, these persons, reporting regularly to their minders in Moscow.

Russian '*moles*', alive and well, if you will.

The Russian Federation has, for many years, been building up its intelligence network in Ukraine; and, President Petro Oleksiyovych Poroshenko inherited this situation upon taking up the role of the elected leader of the country on May 25, 2014.

Late last year, General Valery Gerasimov, the senior officer in charge of the Russian Army, admitted, quite openly, that non-military means were now indispensable to The Russian Federation and, often, more powerful than weapons of war in achieving ends.

Russia's Objective

The first and most important objective of The Russian Federation, today, ironically, is to maintain the status quo in the east of Ukraine: It is in its best interests so to do.

President Vladimir Putin's Russia has been extremely successful in stoking the fires of discontent in the east of Ukraine – and continues to make certain that the fires' embers do not cool.

Russia's vastly superior intelligence infrastructure, throughout the corridors of power in Kiev, has made the task of fermenting discontent in Ukraine's east only too easy.

It is estimated that about 30 percent of the personnel, working at The Security Service of Ukraine, known by its initials, SBU, are Russian moles.

In 2010, the person who was appointed to head the SBU, went on record as stating that the SBU had an official agreement with the FSB – the Russian Federal Security Service, the successor of the feared KGB – spelled out in the 2010 Cooperative Protocol when it was agreed that Moscow was permitted to recruit agents from within the Ukrainian Government.

In December of 2013, some 30 FSB officers took part in SBU training exercises and had meetings with the then Director of the SBU.

The director and a number of his staff are, now, working in Moscow – for the FSB.

Try as it might, Kiev has, thus far, been unable to weed out the Russian moles in its midst.

President Vladimir Putin continues to maintain that it is unfair for the West to maintain that The Russian Federation and he, alone, have the ability to solve the crises in the Ukraine.

And, while he talks with an expressionless mien, the Ukrainian situation continues to fester – with no end in sight.

Of course, if the so-called, independent sovereign states in the east of Ukraine were to request to be reunited with The Russian Federation – one should not forget that Ukraine used to be known as The Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic until July 16, 1990 – and should the duma accede to the request, President Petro

Oleksiyovych Poroshenko's problems would dissolve into the mist of history.

For the time being, at least.

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