

LUETTAVAKSI JA POHDITTAVAKSI!

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Arvoisa vastaanottaja!

Kuluvien viikkojen ajan päällimmäisinä ovat olleet kirjoitukset liittyen Naton huippukokoukseen Vilnassa. Alla olevista linkeistä selviää mm. miten Nato ja Yhdysvallat lupaa lisää vaarallisia aseita, köyhdytettyjen uraaniaseiden lisäksi myös rypälepommeja Ukrainaan ja hyllytti suunnitelmat yhteystoimiston avaamisesta Tokioon. Suostuiko Biden myymään amerikkalaisia F-16-hävittäjiä Turkille, jotta se hyväksyisi Ruotsin Nato-jäsenyyden?

Ukrainan sotaa käsitellään monessa kirjoituksessa, tuodaan esille lännen haluttomuus rauhanneuvotteluihin kun taas globaalin etelän ehdotus tappamisen lopettamisesta ja neuvottelujen alkamisesta ei saa vastakaikua. Ukraina vaatii länneltä yhä järeämpiä aseita ja joukkojen kouluttamista.

Oslon yliopiston ja Norjan puolustuskorkeakoulun valtio-opin professori Janne Haaland Matlary, kirjoittaa jotain aivan muuta kuin mitä valtamedia meille kertoo: "Ukrainan aika on loppumassa".

Saksassa CDU:n puheenjohtaja Friedrich Merz on kehottanut puolustusministeri Boris Pistoriusta edistämään turvallisuuteen liittyvän tutkimuksen lisäämistä.

Kannattaa lukea, mitä sanotaan EU:n ja Latinalaisen Amerikan ja Karibian valtioiden yhteisön (CELAC) huippukokouksesta. Ja monta muutakin linkkiä alla.

*Naton hajoaminen voi olla ainoa tapa estää kolmas maailmansota, sanoo **Dennis John Kucinich**, yhdysvaltalainen demokraattipoliitikko.*

Hyviä lukuhetkiä!

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1.

RESPONSIBLE STATECRAFT – July 14, 2023 - America's strategy for the NATO alliance is failing

Ukraine is depleting its war resources, and the West can't replenish them fast enough to alter that trajectory anytime soon.

<https://responsiblestatecraft.org/2023/07/14/americas-strategy-for-the-nato-alliance-is-failing/>

2.

Kishore Mahbubani – book/Has the West Lost It?

"A powerful, disputatious book. It's not comfortable reading, and it wasn't meant to be" — Paul Kennedy, Director of International Security Studies and Professor of History at Yale University

<https://mahbubani.net/has-the-west-lost-it/>

3.

Frankfurter Allgemeine – 14.7.2023 - CDU-CHEF: Merz fordert freien Zugang der Bundeswehr zu Schulen

Die Bundeswehr müsse wieder einen Platz in der Mitte der Gesellschaft einnehmen, fordert der CDU-Chef. Friedrich Merz will zudem Klauseln aufheben, die militärische Forschung an den Hochschulen verbieten.

<https://www.faz.net/aktuell/politik/inland/cdu-chef-friedrich-merz-fordert-ungehinderten-bundeswehr-zugang-zu-schulen-19032773.html>

4.

GERMAN-FOREIGN-POLICY.com – 14 Juli 2023 - EU's Latin America Offensive (III)

In the run-up to next week's EU-CELAC summit, resistance grows in Latin America against exploitation as a raw material supplier to EU. Latin American countries demand reparations for colonial crimes.

<https://www.german-foreign-policy.com/en/news/detail/9297>

5.

Seymour Hersh – July 13, 2023 - FEAR AND LOATHING ON AIR FORCE ONE

Biden's anxieties over the Ukraine War and the election in 2024 come into view

https://seymourhersh.substack.com/p/fear-and-loathing-on-air-force-one?utm_source=profile&utm_medium=reader2

6.

Steigan.no – 13.7.2023 – Janne Haaland Matlary: Ingen militær framgang for Ukraina

...I en kronikk i *Dagens Næringsliv* 12. juli skriver professor i statsvitenskap ved Universitetet i Oslo og ved Forsvarets høgskole, Janne Haaland Matlary, noe helt annet enn det hovedstrømsmediene forteller oss. «*Tiden renner ut for Ukraina*», er kronikkens overskrift. For det er ikke noen militær framgang for Ukraina. Den vestlige trua på at Russland er i kaos og kollaps er sterkt overdrivi. At å ta tilbake alt okkupert

territorium «er sannsynligvis helt urealistisk nå, spesielt Krim». I tillegg vil USA konsentrere seg om den kommende presidentvalgkampen, ikke om Ukraina. Dette kombinert med at Europas folk rammes av økte renter og matpriser, økt arbeidsledighet og at økonomien i Tyskland er i tilbakegang. Utsiktene til en klar militær framgang for Ukraina er ikke gode, skriver Matlary...

<https://steigan.no/2023/07/janne-haaland-matlary-ingen-militaer-framgang-for-ukraina/>

7.

The Guardian – July 12, 2023 - Nato appears to shelve plans to open Japan liaison office in Tokyo

Progress expected at Nato summit thanks to attendance of Japan's PM but no mention made in latest talks

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2023/jul/12/nato-appears-to-shelve-plans-open-japan-liaison-office-tokyo>

8.

svt NYHETER – 12.7.2023 - Kurdo Baksi kritisk till EU-avtalet: "En skandal – är pinsamt"

Kurdo Baksi, svensk-kurdisk samhällsdebattör, reagerar starkt på att Sverige under Natoförhandlingarna åtagit sig att stötta ett turkiskt EU-medlemskap.

– Det är förfärligt, säger han till SVT Nyheter.

<https://www.svt.se/nyheter/inrikes/kurdo-baksi-kritisk-till-avtalet-skandal-det-ar-pinsamt>

9.

ICAN – July 12, 2023 - The NATO summit communique was released yesterday

The leaders of NATO countries, meeting in Vilnius at a time of unprecedented nuclear risk, took no action to reduce nuclear dangers and, on the contrary, issued a communique continuing to support the use of nuclear weapons. The alliance pointed to the risks posed by Russia's nuclear weapons while hailing its own nuclear deterrent and nuclear sharing arrangements. It also criticised the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons, the only area of progress on nuclear disarmament in decades, demonstrating its concern about the Treaty's power to stigmatise and eliminate nuclear weapons.

https://www.icanw.org/nato_fails_to_reduce_nuclear_risks_at_vilnius_summit

10.

THE CONVERSATION – July 12, 2023 - The Zaporizhzhia nuclear power plant is a 'dirty bomb' waiting to happen – a nuclear expert explains

By **Tilman Ruff**, Honorary Principal Fellow, School of Population and Global Health, The University of Melbourne

After the explosion at the Kakhovka Dam in Ukraine last month, many Ukrainians feared the Zaporizhzhia nuclear power plant could be next. These concerns have been heightened in recent weeks as both Ukraine and Russia have accused each other of planning an attack of the plant, which has been under Russian control since March 2022.

<https://theconversation.com/the-zaporizhzhia-nuclear-power-plant-is-a-dirty-bomb-waiting-to-happen-a-nuclear-expert-explains-209236>

11.

The Denis Kucinich Report - July 11, 2023 - The Dissolution of NATO May Be the Only Way to Prevent WWII

10 reasons why NATO ought to be disbanded

Dennis John Kucinich is an American Democrat politician. He served as U.S. Representative from Ohio's 10th congressional district from 1997 to 2013. In May 2023, the Robert F. Kennedy Jr. 2024 presidential campaign announced that Kucinich had been selected as its campaign manager.

https://denniskucinich.substack.com/p/the-dissolution-of-nato-may-be-the?utm_source=profile&utm_medium=reader2

12.

NIKKEI Asia – July 10, 2023 - NATO to defer decision on Tokyo liaison office

Wary of China, France makes deal at summit unlikely; bloc sets year-end target
... The North Atlantic military alliance initially planned to enshrine the establishment of the Tokyo office in documents to be adopted at NATO's two-day summit beginning Tuesday in Lithuania.

But France has opposed the idea, caring for relations with China, and the unanimous agreement of all 31 members needed for the decision appears unlikely. The bloc will work to finalize the decision by the year-end...

<https://asia.nikkei.com/Politics/Defense/NATO-to-defer-decision-on-Tokyo-liaison-office>

13.

Peacelink – 9 July 2023 - The hypocrisy of war - The double game of the Ukrainian government on "cluster bombs"

...While on one hand, the Ukrainian government showed apparent sensitivity to the issue and promised Human Rights Watch to investigate the possible use of cluster bombs by its own troops, on the other hand, it requested from Biden to have them in large quantities...

<https://www.peacelink.it/en/a/49556.html>

14.

EURACTIVE – JULY 6, 2023 - LEAK: Latin American countries push back on Ukraine, EU agenda ahead of joint summit

...Central and Latin American countries threw cold water on the EU's efforts to rally the continent's support for Ukraine and called for colonial reparations in a counter-proposal of an upcoming EU summit draft declaration, seen by EURACTIV.

Heads of state and governments of 33 countries of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC) are expected to travel to Brussels on 17-18 July for a summit with their EU counterparts.

Ahead of the landmark summit, however, the countries sent a 21-page counter-proposal to the draft text EU member states had sent them last month, dated 4 July and seen by EURACTIV...

<https://www.euractiv.com/section/global-europe/news/leak-latin-american-countries-push-back-on-ukraine-eu-agenda-ahead-of-joint-summit/>

15.

Consortium News - July 5, 2023 - NATO's Scorched Earth in Ukraine

...Hope of a policy breakthrough in Vilnius, Lithuania towards peace in Ukraine, spearheaded by the war-weary East Europeans, seems to have drained away. There is general acceptance in NATO that the Ukrainian summer offensives in Zaporizhzhia and again now in Bakhmut have failed to dent Russian defences, with horrific mortality in Ukrainian manpower and enormous destruction of Western-supplied equipment...

<https://consortiumnews.com/2023/07/05/natos-scorched-earth-in-ukraine/>

16.

The LIBERTARIAN INSTITUTE - June 14, 2023- While the West Seeks Victory in Ukraine, the Global South Seeks Peace

...There is a revealing difference between the peace proposals for the Russo-Ukrainian War that come from the Global South and peace proposals that come from the NATO-aligned West. For starters, no peace proposals have come from the West, while several have come from the Global South. But when the West talks of a negotiated settlement, they insist on Russia losing the war, granting the essential concessions first and only then negotiating the enforcement. The Global South just wants the killing to stop: first stop the war, then negotiate the settlement...

<https://libertarianinstitute.org/articles/while-the-west-seeks-victory-in-ukraine-the-global-south-seeks-peace/>

17.

THE CONVERSATION - June 7, 2023 - Kakhovka dam breach raises risk for Zaporizhzhia nuclear plant – receding waters narrow options for cooling

...A blast on June 6, 2023, destroyed the Kakhovka dam on the Dnieper River in eastern Ukraine. The rupture lowered water levels in a reservoir upriver at the Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Plant in the city of Enerhodar. The reservoir supplies water necessary for cooling the plant's shutdown reactors and spent fuel, which is uranium

that has been largely but not completely depleted by the fission reaction that drives nuclear power plants...

<https://theconversation.com/kakhovka-dam-breach-raises-risk-for-zaporizhzhia-nuclear-plant-receding-waters-narrow-options-for-cooling-207192>