# The Ukraine Bloody War: The Great Plundering

This book is showing, in broad strokes, how the Empire of Fraud functions and the depth of revolving-door corruption, arrogance, and ignorance that the so-called elite displays on a daily basis as they loot all of us. However, in this segment devoted to Ukraine-related pillage, I delve into some minutiae details to illustrate both the big picture and the detailed account of wholesale criminality that's killing one country, Ukraine, and two nations, Ukrainians and Russians, while impoverishing our own, the United States. Every missile I listed in the pages that follow, almost every bullet, every tank or a rocket launcher has likely killed or wounded a human being somewhere in the Ukrainian wasteland and each and every of those weapons enrich someone, likely many in the chain of war profiteering. That's why the extensive, perhaps not necessary list is there, as a tiny monument to pain and reminder of greed.

At this point I'd like to say that I visited Ukraine twice and lived in Odessa for four (4) months in 2017 and loved the unique sense of humor in Odessa. I've visited Russia several times and have an appreciation for its literature, art, and the madness of that crazy, fantastic land. I also love the people of both countries. I have friends in St. Petersburg as well as in Odessa. This war breaks my heart. As I wrote earlier, I have experienced propaganda as well as the tragedy of war, with members of my family being killed and slaughtered back home. When I critique anything related to Ukraine, it is never intended as a slight against their immense suffering but is always aimed at our own bloodthirsty, corrupt, and criminally complicit enablers of that tragic war.

The Ukrainians, ordinary, honest people, might be getting crumbs out of all the money flowing back and forth from our criminals to their own, but they are also dying, living displaced, and suffering needlessly. I have deep empathy for their plight. Having said that let me continue by an event that has happened as I wrote these lines. On October 30, 2023, the *TIME Magazine* that used to celebrate Ukrainian president Zelensky like they've done with Adolf Hitler before the World War II and Winston Churchill during the World War II, in their article 'Nobody Believes in Our Victory Like I Do; Inside Volodymyr Zelensky's Struggle to Keep Ukraine in the Fight' turned the page and painted a horrid picture about that country. A top presidential adviser in early October, told the article's writer:

## "People are stealing like there's no tomorrow."

Buckle up; down the rabbit hole we go. In the years to come, assuming we'd survive the madness and don't end up dying in a global thermonuclear war, the plundering of our treasure under the guise of helping Ukraine will be studied by scholars from all sides. Until October of 2023, the U.S. President Joe Biden has provided Ukraine with \$24.775 billion based on the so-called Drawdown Authority *alone*. Now, in a de-facto lawless state like the one the current U.S. regime represents, from punishment-free looting of San Francisco et al. stores over the United States government's neglect to protect its southern border via Biden's Ukraine-related responsibility-free corruption all the way up to the *un-audited* hundreds of billions sent to Zelensky free of oversight, it is almost comical to refer to a law, but let us try. There's something else hidden therein anyway. It might surprise you. The 22 U.S. Code § 2318 - Special authority outlines the U.S. Code that serves as the legal basis for the \$24.775 billion worth of checks authorized to vanish in Ukraine by Joe Biden alone:

### "22 U.S. Code § 2318 - Special authority

- (a) Unforeseen emergency; national interest; determinations and reports to Congress; limitation of defense articles, defense services, and military education and training furnished
- (1) If the President determines and reports to the Congress in accordance with section 2411 of this title that—
- -- (A) an unforeseen emergency exists which requires immediate military assistance to a foreign country or international organization; and -- (B) the emergency requirement cannot be met under the authority of the Arms
- -- (B) the emergency requirement cannot be met under the authority of the Arms Export Control Act [22 U.S.C. 2751 et seq.] or any other law except this section;

he may direct, for the purposes of subchapter II of this chapter, the drawdown of defense articles from the stocks of the Department of Defense, defense services of the Department of Defense, and military education and training, of an aggregate value of not to exceed \$100,000,000 in any fiscal year."

The term "unforeseen emergency" typically applies to situations that are sudden, unexpected, and not planned for in advance. However:

- The war in Ukraine began on February 22, 2022, so it could not be considered an unforeseen emergency in November 2023, as it would have been ongoing for over a year and no longer meet the criteria of an unforeseen event. Biden and Congress could not care less.
- That nuisance, a mere \$100 million limit in the law, has been eagerly resolved by the Congress which has progressively increased the cap on this drawdown authority from \$100 million to \$11 billion for Fiscal Year 2022, most recently in the Additional Ukraine Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2022 (P.L. 117-128),<sup>2</sup> which was signed into law by the President on May 21, an increase of 10,900%.

Biden signed the law that enables him to sign off billions.

### The War Continuation Assured

Leafing through Public Law 117–128<sup>3</sup> enacted by the 117<sup>th</sup> Congress reveals why the people would not stop dying and why the Ukraine—Russia war will go on, at least until September 30, 2024. If they do stop dying, all that money would not be spent. I listed only a few expenses from Public Law 117-128 from lowest to highest amount:

- \$113,440,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, as an additional amount for "Other Procurement, Army",
- \$155,382,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, as an additional amount for "Other Procurement, Air Force",
- \$190,000,000, for an additional amount for "Diplomatic Programs", to remain available until September 30, 2024,
- \$350,970,000, to remain available until September 30, 2024, for Missile Procurement, Army''
- \$4,000,000,000, as an additional amount for "Foreign Military Financing Program", to remain available until September 30, 2024, for assistance for Ukraine
- \$8,766,000,000, for an additional amount for "Economic Support Fund", to remain available until September 30, 2024, for assistance for Ukraine.

Whether they plan for war until 2024 or 2030, it appears the U.S. cabal aims to replicate the triumphant outcome of World War 2, but with much less cost—having Ukrainians continue to clash with Russians, all while the EU grows weaker and more dependent on U.S. 'protection.'

"I had the great honor as a United States senator of championing Lithuania and other Baltic states to join NATO in 2004. Wasn't I brilliant doing that? <sup>4</sup> President Biden said, with vassals' "laughter," in his Supporting Ukraine, Defending Democratic Values, and Taking Action to Address Global Challenges remarks in Villnius, July 12, 2023, during the NATO Summit.

Moreover, when asked by a journalist how long it would take the West to admit Ukraine to the alliance, Biden replied, 'One hour and twenty minutes.' They knew all along that Ukraine in NATO meant war, and now that they have the war, they keep pushing for the madness of Ukraine in NATO, ensuring the war's perpetual expansion. 'We are running out of time,' stated NATO's Lieutenant General Sollfrank, advocating for a 'military Schengen' in Europe to ensure swift troop deployments in the face of potential Russian threats on November 23, 2023. But that's just the most current ploy for the public. They had been planning for this for decades.

Multinationales Kommando Operative Führung in Ulm, Germany—I left the original German, for it sounds more sinister than Multinational Joint Headquarters Ulm-houses the Military Mobility Office (DNO), which directly reports to both the German and the Dutch Ministries of Defense. (The Commander, Multinational Joint Headquarters Ulm, and Commander, Joint Support and Enabling Command, is Lieutenant General Alexander Sollfrank.) "The objective is to achieve a smooth German/Dutch military traffic flow inside and through both of these nations. As a stand-alone institution not depending on the Alliance, the DNO will form an interface between the EU and NATO designed to enable these two major organizations to benefit from the results achieved at the binational level." However, with Geert Wilders's recent victory in the Netherlands, one needs to see how it would develop, given his stated goal of having an EU referendum. He has led the Party for Freedom (PVV) since he founded it in 2006 and has been controversial ever since. Death threats were coming his way, and it's guaranteed that he'd be labeled a new Hitler if he proceeded with leaving the EU. The Cabal needs "united" Europe, so it would do whatever it wants without pesky, freedom-loving, independent nations to decide on their own destiny and if they'd like their men to die in a war with Russia so the U.S. could profit. What I wrote is based on legalize, colored by my language I described and defended early in this book. America does rule the NATO 100%.

### The North Atlantic Treaty

Born in Washington D.C. on April 4, 1949, NATO was defined as the American-led

organization. After a bit of flowery language with some humorous tones worthy of quoting, the newly formed NATO got down to business (emphasis mine):

"The Parties to this Treaty reaffirm their faith in the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations and their *desire to live in peace* with all peoples and all governments. They are determined to safeguard the freedom, common heritage and civilisation of their peoples, founded on the principles of democracy, individual liberty and the rule of law.

#### Article 10

Any State so invited may become a Party to the Treaty *by depositing its instrument of accession with the Government of the United States of America.* The Government of the United States of America *will inform* each of the Parties of the deposit of each such instrument of accession.

#### Article 13

After the Treaty has been in force for twenty years, any Party *may cease to be a Party* one year after *its notice of denunciation has been given to the Government of the United States of America*, which will inform the Governments of the other Parties of the deposit of each notice of denunciation.<sup>5</sup>

Like a pupil giving an "excuse note," American vassal states in the EU *may denounce* their ending of the treaty only by writing to the government of the United States. Well, made men never leave the Mafia, so no European state has ever left NATO. "To be an enemy of America can be dangerous, but to be a friend is fatal," Henry Kissinger said, so facing American wrath is not something anyone dared. If you object and say the quote is apocryphal and the text of the Treaty was from 1949, let me assuage your worries. American grip on the EU is as iron-clad as ever. The "Protocol to the North Atlantic Treaty on the Accession of the Republic of Finland," also the latest NATO member, was signed in Brussels on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of July 2022. It states: "In accordance with Article 10 of the Treaty, the Republic of Finland shall become a Party on the date when it deposits its instrument of accession with the Government of the United States of America." NATO "members" can only go full-seal clapping mode, clap clap, and accept both the American dictum and 'the death agony of European soul.'6

### Pulling the Strings

As we navigated through an enormous maze of documents, we encountered recurring,

hypnotic magical mantras such as "brutal, completely unprovoked war," as stated by National Security Council spokesman John F. Kirby, "Kremlin's cruelty," and the "sordid bombardment" of Ukraine by the Russians during an unanticipated emergency. However, we couldn't find any "prior notifications to the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives, the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Senate, and the Committee on Appropriations of each House of Congress," a requirement in 22 U.S. Code § 2318. ("Authority contained in this section shall be effective for any such emergency only upon prior notification" to those legislative bodies).

Many wonder who pulls Biden's strings, given his obvious mental challenges, and it seems that we have the answer from the horse's mouth, the U.S. Department of State's own website, and the Bureau of Political-Military Affairs Fact Sheet<sup>7</sup> from September 21, 2023.

The Secretary of State, Antony J. Blinken—one of the Ukraine proxy war triumvirate, Blinken, Nuland, Sullivan—[emphasis mine] "plays a central role in the *initiation* and *coordination* of these draw-downs. After *initial* engagement with Congress, the Secretary *requests* the President's *authorization* to notify Congress of the intent to exercise the draw-down authority under section 506(a)(1) of the FAA and seeks *delegated authority* from the President to make the necessary *determinations* and to *direct* the draw-down. The Department of State is also responsible for coordinating the implementation of the drawdown with the Department of Defense. For Ukraine, the Secretary has exercised authority delegated by the President to direct 44 drawdowns of defense articles and services from the Department of Defense since August 2021, in response to Russia's preparation to launch the February 24, 2022 full-scale invasion of Ukraine and continued war." Now we know, Anthony Blinken's is the purveyor of Ukrainian scheme.

It seems that Blinken loves his Ukraine adventure so much that, at a White House Halloween party with his family, he arrived with his 4-year-old son dressed as Ukraine's President Zelensky, while his 3-year-old daughter donned the colors of Ukraine. While his great-grandfather Meir Blinken born in 1879 in Pereiaslav, Ukraine makes Blinken's connection, having his young kids parading in the colors of war seems a bit too far-fetched sign of undying support. Meir Blinken or not, all is a part of the same charade. In May, 2023 I wrote, "the puppet-masters pulling the strings behind Zelensky's propaganda know how to gild the lily of war horrors and how to put lipstick on a slaughtered pig," so he is already a:

- German Charlemagne Prize laureate.
- France's Chevalier (Knight) of the Legion of Honor
- An Oscar winner via Sean Penn's loving gesture.
- Order of Prince Yaroslav the Wise at home recipient.
- The Order of Merit of the Italian Republic recipient, which is awarded to individuals "who have made significant contributions to the fields of social, philanthropic, and humanitarian activities."
- Chatham House, the Royal Institute of International Affairs in London, awardee because "President Zelensky has united his nation in resistance and counter-offensive, and demonstrated a mastery of international diplomacy."
- 2022 Liberty Medal recipient.
- Robert F. Kennedy Human Rights 2022 Ripple of Hope Award recipient "in recognition of his courageous and inspirational leadership in the face of relentless aggression."

After having him placed on the covers of the *TIME Magazine*, on *The Atlantic*, *Der Spiegel*, *The New Yorker* and gazillion other and having been elected a "Person of the Year" by *TIME*, the war propaganda started to smell like a worn out rag, having depleted every resource at their disposal, and yesterday's hero is more like a sad sap, whose omnipresence has also worn us all out. So, "Is Zelensky's 'ungrateful' act causing him to lose his luster?" article by *The Hill* 9 is just one of many signals that the U.S. is slowly getting ready to get rid of Hero Number One it has invented. As he's now losing the war despite \$200++ billion we plunged into it, Larry C. Johnson, a former analyst at the CIA, said bluntly: "We don't like losers. He lost. We abandon him."

### As Long As It Takes

Having read Mr. Johnson's words, recall how the mindless metronomes of propaganda worked overtime, in the same hypnotic rhythm:

- Joe Biden: US Will Support Ukraine 'As Long as It Takes.'10
- European leaders must 'stand by Ukraine for 'as long as it takes.<sup>11</sup>'

- Rishi Sunak says; Biden, Emmanuel Macron Pledge To Support Ukraine's Fight 'As Long As It Takes.<sup>12</sup>'
- Jens Stoltenberg vows NATO will stand with Ukraine for 'as long as it takes.<sup>13</sup>'
- Canada's Trudeau: We will support Ukraine for 'as long as it takes. 147
- 'As long as it takes': The European Union's support for Ukraine. 15
- EU to support Ukraine for 'as long as it takes' Ursula von der Leyen says. 16
- G7 leaders vow to support Ukraine for 'as long as it takes'.

No matter what 'as long as it takes' means, moving the billions back and forth would not stop, even if it moves to Israel, Taiwan or Argentina. They don't care.

"Hyman Roth Always Made Money for His Friends."

The U.S. vassal states, also known as "the world" in our hallucinatory parlance—"the world" minus 130 nations that have visited Xi and Putin in Beijing—are on the gravy train also:

- The EU is providing up to €25.2 billion in DBS through macro-financial assistance loans and €620 million in grants for Ukraine. [When I read "loan," I see the U.S. servicing and paying back such loans.]
- In 2022, the EU provided €7.2 billion in macro-financial assistance loans and €620 million in grants for Ukraine.
- For 2023, the EU is providing an unprecedented support package for Ukraine of up to €18 billion in the form of highly concessional loans (Macro-financial Assistance (MFA) +), of which €7.5B has been disbursed.
- In May, the EU Commission paid the 4th payment of €1.5 billion under this package (1st: January €3 billion; 2nd: March €1.5 billion; 3rd: April €1.5 billion) after finding that "Ukraine continued to make *satisfactory progress* towards implementing the agreed policy conditions—like cancelling elections, banning opposition parties and torturing clergy of the Russian Orthodox Church, one would guess—and complied with reporting requirements, which aim to ensure *the transparent and efficient use of the funds.*"

- The EU Commission found that Ukraine "has notably achieved important progress to strengthen the rule of law, enhance financial stability, improve the functioning of the gas system, and promote a better business climate."
- This finding will also enable the disbursement of a further monthly payment of €1.5 billion in June. This support "helps Ukraine in paying wages and pensions (*again*? how many salaries do they get?) and to maintain essential public services, such as hospitals, schools, and housing for relocated people."

Other major bilateral providers of budget support since the start of the full-scale war include:

- Trudeau's Canada (\$3.6 billion).
- Scholz's Germany (\$1.6 billion).
- Sunak's UK (\$1.6 billion).
- Japan (\$581 million with an additional \$5.5 billion announced in February 2023); and
- Norway (\$7.5 billion package announced in February 2023).

The Government of Ukraine (GOU) has also received substantial budget support from International Financial Institutions (IFIs), including:

- \$5.4 billion from the International Monetary Fund (IMF).
- \$1.9 billion from the World Bank and
- \$1.7 billion from the European Investment Bank (EIB). On March 31, 2023.

The total amount mentioned in the paragraph is approximately €64.3 billion. Are we lost already in those oceans of billions? Help me summarize the only help listed so far, most of which is non-military assistance:

- 1. \$24.775 Joe Biden alone (that's mostly military).
- 2. \$4.35 billion for imaginary friends harmed around the world.
- 3. \$18 billion USAID to Ukraine's everyone and their grannies.
- 4. \$70.087 billion, the U.S. vassal states.

Once we put all of that together, we have approximately \$117.212 billion forked out to Zelensky in (mostly) non-military help.

Note that Ukrainian consolidated budget<sup>18</sup> for 2022 was \$82,124,973,000.00 and, with a revenue of \$59,228,571,000.00 they're having a \$24,859,676,000.00 budget deficit. Say \$25 billion. Or \$39.58 billions or so deficit over the course of the war. So why did the U.S. and its vassals sent \$77.62 billion over that amount to Zelensky? Are we're giving them a 49.09% payraise? Who do we really feed? Where does our money really go? Now ponder this: the federal minimum wage in the U.S. is \$7.25 per hour, well below the living wage, and in 2021 we had 181,000 workers<sup>19</sup> that earned exactly the prevailing federal minimum wage of \$7.25 per hour, the working poor. Now if we'd double—a 100% pay raise—salary for those 181,000 people, we'd get \$461,912,000 TOTAL salary for minimum wage workers in the whole of the U.S., assuming 8 hours of work per day and 22 working days in a month. If we'd keep paying them until we've reached the \$77.62 billion Zelensky special rate, it would take 168 months or 14 years until we exhausted the money we're—with our vassals— overpaying Ukraine.

This feeding frenzy of blood-mad opportunists, gnawing at us from all sides, is tearing apart the United States, while, at the same time, increasing the peril of nuclear war with Russia. Sadistic in Ukraine, criminal at home, madness does not even start to describe what's going on. *Since 2014*—remember that *unforeseen emergency* that started on February 24, 2022 and is an excuse for sending billions, and is still an *unforeseen emergency* today—the United States has provided more than \$46.7 billion "in security assistance for training and equipment to help Ukraine preserve its territorial integrity, secure its borders, and improve interoperability with NATO." Here's a September 21, 2023, partial list <sup>20</sup> of what Merchants of Death have sent to Ukraine. The list is overwhelming, so feel free to give it a quick once-over, skim it, or simply glance at it before you continue and remember if you get bored, every line that follows represents death of thousands of human beings and plunder of unimaginable proportions.

#### Air Defense:

- One Patriot air defense battery and munitions;
- 12 National Advanced Surface-to-Air Missile Systems (NASAMS) and munitions;
- HAWK air defense systems and munitions;
- AIM-7, RIM-7, and AIM-9M missiles for air defense;
- More than 2,000 Stinger anti-aircraft missiles;

- Avenger air defense systems;
- VAMPIRE counter-Unmanned Aerial Systems (c-UAS) and munitions;
- c-UAS gun trucks and ammunition;
- mobile c-UAS laser-guided rocket systems;
- Other c-UAS equipment;
- Anti-aircraft guns and ammunition;
- Equipment to integrate Western launchers, missiles, and radars with Ukraine's systems;
- Equipment to support and sustain Ukraine's existing air defense capabilities; and
- 21 air surveillance radars.

### Fires:

- 38 High Mobility Artillery Rocket Systems and ammunition;
- Ground-Launched Small Diameter Bomb launchers and guided rockets;
- 198 155mm Howitzers and more than 2,000,000 155mm artillery rounds;
- More than 7,000 precision-guided 155mm artillery rounds;
- More than 20,000 155mm rounds of Remote Anti-Armor Mine (RAAM) Systems;
- 72 105mm Howitzers and more than 500,000 105mm artillery rounds;
- 10,000 203mm artillery rounds;
- More than 200,000 152mm artillery rounds;
- Approximately 40,000 130mm artillery rounds;
- 40,000 122mm artillery rounds;
- 60,000 122mm GRAD rockets;
- 47 120mm mortar systems;
- 10 82mm mortar systems;
- 122 81mm mortar systems;
- 58 60mm mortar systems;
- More than 400,000 mortar rounds;
- More than 70 counter-artillery and counter-mortar radars; and
- 20 multi-mission radars;

#### **Ground Maneuver:**

- 31 Abrams tanks;
- 45 T-72B tanks;
- 186 Bradley Infantry Fighting Vehicles;
- Four Bradley Fire Support Team vehicles;
- 189 Stryker Armored Personnel Carriers;
- 300 M113 Armored Personnel Carriers;
- 250 M1117 Armored Security Vehicles;
- More than 500 Mine Resistant Ambush Protected Vehicles (MRAPs);
- More than 2,000 High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicles (HMMWVs);
- More than 100 light tactical vehicles;
- 300 armored medical treatment vehicles;
- 68 trucks and 124 trailers to transport heavy equipment;

- More than 600 tactical vehicles to tow and haul equipment;
- 131 tactical vehicles to recover equipment;
- 10 command post vehicles;
- 30 ammunition support vehicles;
- 18 armored bridging systems;
- Eight logistics support vehicles and equipment;
- 239 fuel tankers and 105 fuel trailers;
- 58 water trailers;
- Six armored utility trucks;
- 125mm, 120mm, and 105mm tank ammunition;
- More than 1,800,000 rounds of 25mm ammunition; and
- Mine clearing equipment.

# Aircraft and Unmanned Aerial Systems:

- 20 Mi-17 helicopters;
- Switchblade Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS);
- Phoenix Ghost UAS;
- CyberLux K8 UAS;
- Altius-600 UAS;
- Jump-20 UAS;
- Hornet UAS
- Puma UAS;
- Scan Eagle UAS;
- Penguin UAS;
- Two radars for UAS;
- High-speed Anti-radiation missiles (HARMs);
- Precision aerial munitions;
- More than 6,000 Zuni aircraft rockets;
- More than 20,000 Hydra-70 aircraft rockets; and
- Munitions for UAS.

#### **Anti-armor and Small Arms:**

- More than 10,000 Javelin anti-armor systems;
- More than 80,000 other anti-armor systems and munitions;
- More than 7,000 Tube-Launched, Optically-Tracked, Wire-Guided (TOW) missiles;
- More than 35,000 grenade launchers and small arms;
- More than 300,000,000 rounds of small arms ammunition and grenades;
- Laser-guided rocket systems and munitions;
- Rocket launchers and ammunition; and
- Anti-tank mines.

#### Maritime:

• Two Harpoon coastal defense systems and anti-ship missiles;

- 62 coastal and riverine patrol boats;
- Unmanned Coastal Defense Vessels; and
- Port and harbor security equipment.

# Other capabilities:

- M18A1 Claymore anti-personnel munitions configured to be compliant with the Ottawa Convention;
- C-4 explosives, demolition munitions, and demolition equipment for obstacle clearing;
- Obstacle emplacement equipment;
- Counter air defense capability;
- More than 100,000 sets of body armor and helmets;
- Tactical secure communications systems and support equipment;
- Four satellite communications (SATCOM) antennas;
- SATCOM terminals and services;
- Electronic jamming equipment;
- Commercial satellite imagery services;
- Night vision devices, surveillance and thermal imagery systems, optics, and rangefinders;
- Explosive ordnance disposal equipment and protective gear;
- Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear protective equipment;
- Medical supplies, including first aid kits, bandages, monitors, and other equipment;
- Field equipment, cold weather gear, generators, and spare parts; and
- Support for training, maintenance, and sustainment activities.

To date, nearly 50 Allies and partner countries have provided "security assistance" to Ukraine. Among their many contributions to Ukraine, Allies and partners have delivered:

- 10 long-range Multiple Launch Rocket Systems (MLRS),
- 178 long-range artillery systems,
- nearly 100,000 rounds of long-range artillery ammunition,
- nearly 250,000 anti-tank munitions,
- 359 tanks,
- 629 armored personnel carriers and infantry fighting vehicles (IFVs),
- 8,214 short-range air defense missiles, and
- 88 lethal UAVs. Since February 24, Allies and partners worldwide have provided or committed over \$13 billion in security assistance.

This will never end. Harvard tuition needs to be paid, cocaine acquired, mortgages serviced, high-end escorts satisfied, posh gyms membership paid. Why? Again, "The Pentagon is the only federal department in America that hasn't been able to pass an independent audit—decades after Congress required it to do so," reads the Sanders-Grassley Audit the Pentagon Act. In the same document we are reminded how, on September 10, 2001, former Secretary of

Defense Donald Rumsfeld said, "Our financial systems are decades old. According to some estimates, we cannot track \$2.3 trillion in transactions. We cannot share information from floor to floor in this building because it's stored on dozens of technological systems that are inaccessible or incompatible." There's even more "accounting errors" the Congress inquired about:

- On June 20, 2023, Pentagon spokesperson Sabrina Singh told reporters that the Department of Defense (DOD) massively overestimated the value of weapons it has sent to Ukraine by **\$6.2 billion over the past two years**.
- This comes after DOD announced a \$3 billion "accounting error" in May 2023.

# A Drop in the Ocean

But wait, there are more. We're a generous nation, so we've given:

- \$950 million in security assistance to Ukraine under the Ukraine Security Assistance Initiative (USAI) and, **before the war**, the "unexpected one", justifying emergent billions, in FY 2021, Ukraine received:
- \$275 million under DOD's Ukraine Security Assistance Initiative (USAI).
- \$75 million in lethal assistance (from the USAI above)
- \$115 million in Foreign Military Financing (FMF) and
- \$3 million in International Military Education and Training (IMET) funding.

Then we have even more breadcrumbs to feed our insatiable machine, f.k.a., the government. There's one particularly peculiar cost <sup>21</sup> worth mentioning. I wonder how someone needs \$67 million to steal someone else's property:

• \$67 million for DOJ General Administration "to help cover the costs of seizing, retaining, and selling forfeited property (e.g., the yachts of Russian oligarchs) related to Russia's invasion of Ukraine."

The lists, scattered all over a gazillion governmental and adjunct organizations, go on forever. The Additional Ukraine Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2022, provides more than \$40 billion "in emergency funding to support the Ukrainian people and *defend global democracy* in the wake of Russia's unprovoked attack on Ukraine." ("*Brutal and unexpected*" seem to be edited out.) Check it out if you wish, but I'd highlight only a few costs that caught my eye:

- \$9.05 billion to *replenish US stocks* of equipment sent to Ukraine through draw-down authority. Biden, rather Blinken, giveth and the DOD taketh.
- \$3.9 billion for mission support, intelligence support, *hardship pay* for troops deployed to the region, and equipment, including a Patriot battery. What is "hardship pay" for? Hookers in Hamburg are being rude to our marines?
- \$600 million to mitigate industrial base constraints for faster missile production and expanded domestic capacity of strategic and critical minerals.
- \$900 million to provide refugee support services, such as housing, English language classes, trauma and support services, community support (including school impact grants), and case management, for arrivals and refugees from Ukraine.
- \$150 million for the Global Agriculture and Food Security Program to help countries, including Ukraine, weather impacts from rising food prices. No help for Americans to weather impacts from rising food prices. Then The New York Times Nobel Prize winner, Paul Krugman, joins the chorus of brazen liars and one day says how 'food inflation has mostly been caused by Russia,'22 and another day he proclaims 'that inflation has been largely defeated,' based on 'a measure that excludes lagging shelter and used cars as well as food and energy.'23

It never ends. In addition to generous \$2.3 million for Hawaii hurricane victims, the Biden regime's Department of State, has also sent:

- \$350 million for Migration and Refugee Assistance to provide humanitarian support for refugee outflows from Ukraine.
- \$4 billion for the Foreign Military Financing Program to provide additional support for Ukraine and countries affected by the situation in Ukraine, including NATO Eastern flank countries and other partners in the region, to build and update their capabilities.
- \$8.766 billion for the Economic Support Fund to respond to emergent needs in Ukraine, provide needed budget support to assist with Ukraine's continuity of government, and counter human trafficking.
- Includes \$760 million to prevent and respond to global food insecurity. Yes, again.
- \$190 million for Diplomatic Programs for diplomatic support, and planned return, of Embassy Kyiv as well as supporting the operations of other Embassies in the region. Why do we "support" a German or Argentinian Embassy in Kiev?

Russia's "premeditated, unprovoked, and brutal war" against Ukraine was a boon to the Merchants of Death well before the Russian attack. The amounts are staggering. Ukraine has been a very good customer. Should you wish to, you can search the Defense Security Cooperation Agency for all the military deals before the war.

- Mark VI Patrol Boats and related equipment for an estimated cost of \$600 million; one hundred fifty (150).
- Javelin missiles and related equipment and support for an estimated cost not to exceed \$39.2 million, the list go on forever, including
- The Global Security Contingency Fund was used to tell us how "President Biden today announced the appointment of Penny Pritzker as the U.S. Special Representative for Ukraine's Economic Recovery."

Perhaps a small tangent is justified: Penny, who, where else, served as commerce secretary in the Obama White House, belongs to a multi-billionaire Pritzker family with legendary transgender Jennifer Natalya Pritzker (born James Nicholas Pritzker), the world's first transgender billionaire, who forked out \$8,606,266.00 to charity, some to transgender-related issues.

The Department of Defense's Excess Defense Articles (EDA) and many others are rushing head over heels to give more money to Zelensky. The Pandora Papers, <sup>24</sup> in lieu of his CV, have shown that he's quite skilled in creating and owning "a network of offshore companies related to their business based in the British Virgin Islands, Cyprus, and Belize," so the money is well spent if you're a Belize-based banker. Unprovoked democracy also needs money. But we helped Zelensky before Zelensky, i.e., Ukraine was an ideal conduit for our Merchants of Death before him and will stay so long after they have gotten rid of him.

The Embassy of the United States in Kyiv, Ukraine, on March 25, 2015, bragged about how the United States has committed more than \$120 million in security assistance for Ukraine to date and has additionally promised 230 Humvees in total, as well as \$75 million worth of equipment, including UAVs, counter-mortar radars, night vision devices, and medical supplies.<sup>25</sup>

Since 2014, the U.S. has committed more than \$2.7 billion in security assistance to build the capacity of Ukraine's forces, including more than \$650 million in 2021 alone. All of that

before Russia's "premeditated, unprovoked, and brutal war" *unexpected emergency* caught us all by surprise.

We might have been surprised by the "brutal and unprovoked" Russian attack, but the Merchants of Death operating from Washington, D.S., for sure haven't been.

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