Raison d'être ...,

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which renders into English as, 'reason for being.' (everybody has one!)

this egalitarian, universal quality has been likened to an anus or arsehole, everybody has a reason for being but that is where the similarity ends, as everyone's purpose or way is idiosyncratic or peculiar to their evolutionary path

in the East they call it
Dharma, though that term is also
used in the broad sense -the Hindu (and Buddhist)
Diety of manifestation
Vishnu/Bhodisattva
pledges to humankind that he
will appear on earth (incarnate)
every time the Dharma (cosmic plan)
is threatened; and so 'he does'
and there is nothing magical
or divine about it

history records that all major religious Saviours appeared during times of widespread corruption inequality, exploitation, injustice and moral degradation, essentially, the character of culture today!

so if we remove the superstition from the promise of Bhodisattvas/Saviours we see that very wise sages and scribes encoded what they saw as consequences for societies that fell into perversity

human beings share a number of qualities

good and bad; certain persons born into environments of unfairness, wholesale greed and corruption are deeply offended by what they see and immediately set to rectifying the injustices they witness, while others leap into the corrupt cesspool and rotten heart of these societies; this group are the Barons, CEOs, Bankers and politicians of the day

those in privileged positions that unfairly exploit weaker elements of society are the most heinous of all scoundrels as they know better, but persist in their perversity -some with satisfaction

for this category of vile human filth we reserve the harshest of all punitive measures when overthrow occurs.

now to the personal; as my existence on this plane is predicated by my personal Dharma, 'to know,' it comes as no small surprise that a life dedicated to the task produces results, so yea, there is not a lot about the human condition and society that has evaded my compulsive curiosity -- which lands us right in the here and now

today's vile and divorced from reality ruling elite have demonstrated their total disconnect and contempt for the masses by revealing the depth of their HYPOCRISY relating to events in the Ukraine -- errand boys Obama and Kerry, were saddled with the unenviable task of pursuing worn and transparent propaganda formulas that the masses are aware of and immune to i.e. 'blame the opponent for the crimes you commit yourself.'

the crimes the corrupt and criminal US administration accuses Russia of, it has committed ten times over (itself) just follow the historical sequence of events since the illegal Balkan interventions and it all becomes abundantly clear, even your inbred cousin could not help but appreciate the jaw-dropping gall, effrontery, arrogance and insularity

of the current ruling elite -- who may have just hanged themselves

corrupt societies
create their own revolutionaries
and social reformers
and there's nothing
that can be done to prevent it
as innumerable 'souls' exist to finish
the work begun by others

study the social times of Buddha or Christ and you would learn that numerous zealots and/or fighting sages preceded them until it all came to a head

now please excuse a little self-indulgence to further the point.

ever since i became aware (of myself) i needed 'to know,'
my Dharma or raison d'etre
was and is, TO KNOW!

in other words Truth is my personal goal/God

i had to know EVERYTHING and questioned everything in characteristic style in order to discover the truth

as a consequence of my personal endeavour, i discovered that Truth only reveals itself after relentless analysis, research and deductive reasoning

what i am saying is that Truth, the actuality of things, is hard won, as it is buried deep under oceans of propaganda mis and dis-information and every other conceivable (fickle) distraction/'entertainment' you care to name.

Once discovered the Truth becomes the 'plain truth' as though it grows freely on trees.

the Truth behind the lies of today is simple and powerful.

Democracy has been lost to shadowy groups and entities and 'our' politicians serve those entities to the great cost of the masses.

Notice that truth does not provide formulas, remedies or SOLUTIONS, we MUST devise and APPLY those OURSELVES.

We are ONE or we are Nothing

Peace

Following is an excellent article by Paul Craig Roberts on current events relating to the Ukraine and the dis-information that saturates the US mass media. If I have one criticism of Mr Roberts it is that he is far too lenient on Greenwald and Martin; Greenwald habitually fails to research/contextualise or 'background' his stories -- and that trick is part of the toolkit of propagandists. As for Martin, I will reserve judgement, as failing to do basic research is not believable in the current situation and is also out of character -- we shall see, perhaps she may recant or apologise for going off half-cocked or full-cocked, whatever the case may be -- she now unflatteringly portrays herself as a first year journalism student that just got a 'D' for dunce.

Propaganda Rules The News

Gerald Celente calls the Western media "presstitutes," an ingenuous term that I often use. Presstitutes sell themselves to Washington for access and government sources and to keep their jobs. Ever since the corrupt Clinton regime permitted the concentration of the US media, there has been no journalistic independence in the United States except for some Internet sites.

Glenn Greenwald points out the independence that RT, a Russian media organization, permits Abby Martin who denounced Russia's alleged invasion of Ukraine, compared to the fates of Phil Donahue (MSNBC) and Peter Arnett (NBC), both of whom were fired for expressing opposition to the Bush regime's illegal attack on Iraq. The fact that Donahue had NBC's highest rated program did not give him journalistic independence. Anyone who speaks the truth in the American print or TV media or on NPR is immediately fired.

Russia's RT seems actually to believe and observe the values that Americans profess but do not honor.

I agree with Greenwald. You can read his article here:

http://www.informationclearinghouse.info/article37842.htm Greenwald is entirely admirable. He has intelligence, integrity, and courage. He is one of the brave to whom my just published book, How America Was Lost, is dedicated. As for RT's Abby Martin, I admire her and have been a guest on her program a number of times.

My criticism of Greenwald and Martin has nothing to do with their integrity or their character. I doubt the claims that Abby Martin grandstanded on "Russia's invasion of Ukraine" in order to boost her chances of moving into the more lucrative "mainstream"

media." My point is quite different. Even Abby Martin and Greenwald, both of whom bring us much light, cannot fully escape Western propaganda.

For example, Martin's denunciation of Russia for "invading" Ukraine is based on Western propaganda that Russia sent 16,000 troops to occupy Crimea. The fact of the matter is that those 16,000 Russian troops have been in Crimea since the 1990s. Under the Russian-Ukrainian agreement, Russia has the right to base 25,000 troops in Crimea.

Apparently, neither Abby Martin nor Glenn Greenwald, two intelligent and aware people, knew this fact. Washington's propaganda is so pervasive that two of our best reporters were victimized by it.

As I have written several times in my columns, Washington organized the coup in Ukraine in order to promote its world hegemony by capturing Ukraine for NATO and putting US missile bases on Russia's border in order to degrade Russia's nuclear deterrent and force Russia to accept Washington's hegemony.

Russia has done nothing but respond in a very low-key way to a major strategic threat orchestrated by Washington.

It is not only Martin and Greenwald who have fallen under Washington's propaganda. They are joined by Patrick J. Buchanan. Pat's column calling on readers to "resist the war party on Crimea" opens with Washington's propagandistic claim: "With Vladimir Putin's dispatch of Russian Troops into Crimea."

http://www.informationclearinghouse.info/article37847.htm

No such dispatch has occurred. Putin has been granted authority by the Russian Duma to send troops to Ukraine, but Putin has stated publicly that sending troops would be a last resort to protect Crimean Russians from invasions by the ultra-nationalist neo-nazis who stole Washington's coup and established themselves as the power in Kiev and western Ukraine.

So, here we have three of the smartest and most independent journalists of our time, and all three are under the impression created by Western propaganda that Russia has invaded Ukraine.

It appears that the power of Washington's propaganda is so great that not even the best and most independent journalists can escape its influence.

What chance does truth have when Abby Martin gets kudos from Glenn Greenwald for denouncing Russia for an alleged "invasion" that has not taken place, and when independent Pat Buchanan opens his column dissenting from the blame-Russia-crowd by accepting that an invasion has taken place?

The entire story that the presstitutes have told about the Ukraine is a propaganda production. The presstitutes told us that the deposed president, Viktor Yanukovych, ordered snipers to shoot protesters. On the basis of these false reports, Washington's stooges, who comprise the existing non-government in Kiev, have issued arrest orders for Yanukovych and intend for him to be tried in an international court. In an intercepted telephone call between EU foreign affairs minister Catherine Ashton and Estonian foreign affairs minister Urmas Paet who had just returned from Kiev, Paet reports: "There is now stronger and stronger understanding that behind the snipers, it was not

Yanukovych, but it was somebody from the new coalition." Paet goes on to report that "all the evidence shows that the people who were killed by snipers from both sides, among policemen and then people from the streets, that they were the same snipers killing people from both sides . . . and it's really disturbing that now the new coalition, that they don't want to investigate what exactly happened." Ashton, absorbed with EU plans to guide reforms in Ukraine and to prepare the way for the IMF to gain control over economic policy, was not particularly pleased to hear Paet's report that the killings were an orchestrated provocation. You can listen to the conversation between Paet and Ashton here: http://rt.com/news/ashton-maidan-snipers-estonia-946/

What has happened in Ukraine is that Washington plotted against and overthrew an elected legitimate government and then lost control to neo-nazis who are threatening the large Russian population in southern and eastern Ukraine, provinces that formerly were part of Russia. These threatened Russians have appealed for Russia's help, and just like the Russians in South Ossetia, they will receive Russia's help.

The Obama regime and its presstitutes will continue to lie about everything.

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