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Subject: Re: Ukraine

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I appreciate Wayne your liberal management of this section of your forum. I hope I haven't crossed any boundaries of propriety by my expressions. Sure, our political discourse in this country is warped. Our society is going through an upheaval again as it has in other periods. Particularly the 60's from the Vietnam experience.

Thus when you mention "slime", I guess to me that indicates a deep seated disdain of what you perceive as the "communist system" of governance. I can only say that seems a very narrow interpretation. And that interpretation seems to permeate the replies I've read in this thread. Not that I'm a supporter of that socio economic construct. I've always thought our democracy was a noble flawed ideal. But I've come to learn that the communist system was and is a legitimate experiment with an alternative to capitalism.

And that seems to be where our views diverge. I've come to view through studying economics and geopolitical history that our nation in particular since taking reigns as a dominant empire in the 20th century has woven an unnecessary agenda of expanding its influence in the world. By default from a world war that exhausted a large part of the well developed countries. We instilled our dollar as the universal currency. We initiated the United Nations, the World Bank and International Monetary Fund.

We did a lot of virtuous things that were positive towards reconstructing the destruction of war.

But if you watch the video of Jeffrey Sachs. He mentions no sooner than Germany capitulates to end the war in Europe that was hastened by Russia destroying the Nazi war machine. Britain and our leaders immediately begin the cold war with Russia. Not the other way around. And this has been the case ever since.

Since WWII our country with its privileged economic advantage escaping the ravages of war and an exorbitant international currency advantage has given us an upper hand no other country could have. Our prime directive has been perceived as a crusade of our capitalism extolling freedom and democracy against a socio economic system that includes socialism as a part of the economic system.

The world has caught up to our economic dominance. A good deal from our very own misdirected economic philosophy. And our belligerence in trying to keep our dollar dominance maintained. The virtue we had has been eroded I feel rather arrogantly.

And countries representing a majority of the worlds population have instituted a membership to counter our arrogance. Named the BRICS by its founding members.

The slime that you mention can be interpreted in other ways. As a good many nations of the world now are expressing interest in being 'free' from.

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