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These days it will be two years of Crimea reunification with Russia. There are several aspects to that story.

One is that the whole of the Ukrainian crisis of which the Crimean is only a consequence, was of course intentionally staged by Washington.

US think tanks had previously published various publications stating that they wanted to cut Russia off its export routes for raw-energy resources, cut off the trade paths, cut off the business links. And this all is a concerted commune NATO effort to gain control over the vast resources of Russia.

We do understand that Washington tried to use Mr. Khodorkovsky to effect the same thing.

But literally in the last second this went wrong thanks to President Putin.

And now it was a consequence of the failed huge coup staged by Mr. Khodorkovsky - the second attempt of a coup d'état was pulled off in ten years' time in Ukraine.

And from there it was very clear that the staged Sevastopol situation for Russia would not be upheld, that this special place would be under pressure from Washington via Ukraine – and very openly so.

It was clear that the Russian population – Russian speakers and ethnic Russians – would come under high pressure from Washington and its allies.

So, when President Putin decided that he would need a special strategy to maintain order in all of Crimea not just to secure the fleet, but to secure a whole region, which he very bravely did, all those people in Western countries, who like Russia, who feel for Russia, have been of great admiration of what he did there, in fact saving the whole of Crimean peninsula from the terrible influx of nazi armed forces gaining control of other parts of Ukraine.

And now we see from the terrible Donbass example very clearly how the Crimea would have fared if Mr. Putin would not have stepped in very decisively. There, too, it would have been terror, destruction and suffering.

And that is perfectly clear.

But now in Europe we are measuring the limits of our freedom of speech. It is very clear that all people who are right minded, who are not carried away by Washington's freak control effort, they do understand that a vast majority of the Crimeans, no matter what the circumstances of this referendum, were very clearly voting in favor of reunification with motherland Russia. They do not doubt the outcome of the referendum. They simply accept it as a choice of those who live in the Crimea who according to the international law have a right to express their will and to have this will implemented in due time without waiting for several generations.

So this is the real situation, but now comes the interior situation and Germany is the shining example of it. When the Chairman of the German-Russian Forum made a most careful suggestion that the United Nations could supervise and guide through another referendum on the Crimean peninsula to add international status to the public vote, and the Chairman was none other than Mr. Platzeck, the former federal Chairman of the Social Democratic Party, the former Prime Minister of the Brandenburg state, so he is not a nobody. So, as soon as he had voiced it, there was a huge hubbub in the media here. It said that he was going to lose his chairmanship of the German Russian Forum which had been set up by our good chancellor Schröder together with his friend President Putin.

Mr Platzeck was so strongly confronted with the anger of the pro-American establishment for a useful, constructive and intelligent remark to just repeat this referendum, that it became clear to anybody at the time – don't dare to make suggestions of a constructive kind.

**It is utterly crazy to me, that Germany was helped by the Soviet Union twice: In the fifties of the last century with the offer of neutrality for re-unification and later in 1990, when the US pushed the German re-unification. And now, under a bad threat, Russia gets Crimea home – and we Germans do not approve?**

**And, in fact, the fate of Crimea could be a very good show case, of how the wets honors democratic rights and how Europe takes good care of its own interests – and make sure, the people of Crimea get the right to determine their own fate!**

The West under the rule of Washington had already decided to use the whole thing and hold it in President Putin's face forever to justify a crazy course of sanctions and concerted policy which in fact violates Europe's true interests.

And the main point is that western people are not allowed to defuse this conflict.

We need to make it very clear. Nobody in the West seriously thinks about getting Crimea to get back to Ukraine. Western politicians are perfectly happy with the current situation – they want to be destructive towards the EU-Russian relationship.

And with Crimea on hand – they have all they need and they will use it as long as the American dominance over Europe is holding. This will be used against Russia by NATO, by all NATO members, and, under brutal force from Washington, by the EU governments. Germany makes a splendid example. After so many months of disputes and bickering it has now become perfectly clear that even the most powerful German business leaders do not succeed in convincing Chancellor Merkel to tune down her rhetoric against President Putin and Russia.

In fact, she is even discouraging German business leaders to personally meet Mr. Putin. These policies are very clearly contradicting German interests, they are contradicting European interests. And that is very strange.