

New Revelations on Maidan Murders: A Plea to President Trump

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Feb. 26—Former Ukrainian President Victor Yanukovich and former Prime Minister Mykola Azarov, the key figures driven from power by the fascist Maidan Coup of late February 2014, have now dramatically revealed new details about the authorship of the sniper murders during the coup, and are proposing a truth commission to finally shatter the false narrative blaming Yanukovich for the escalation of Maidan violence.

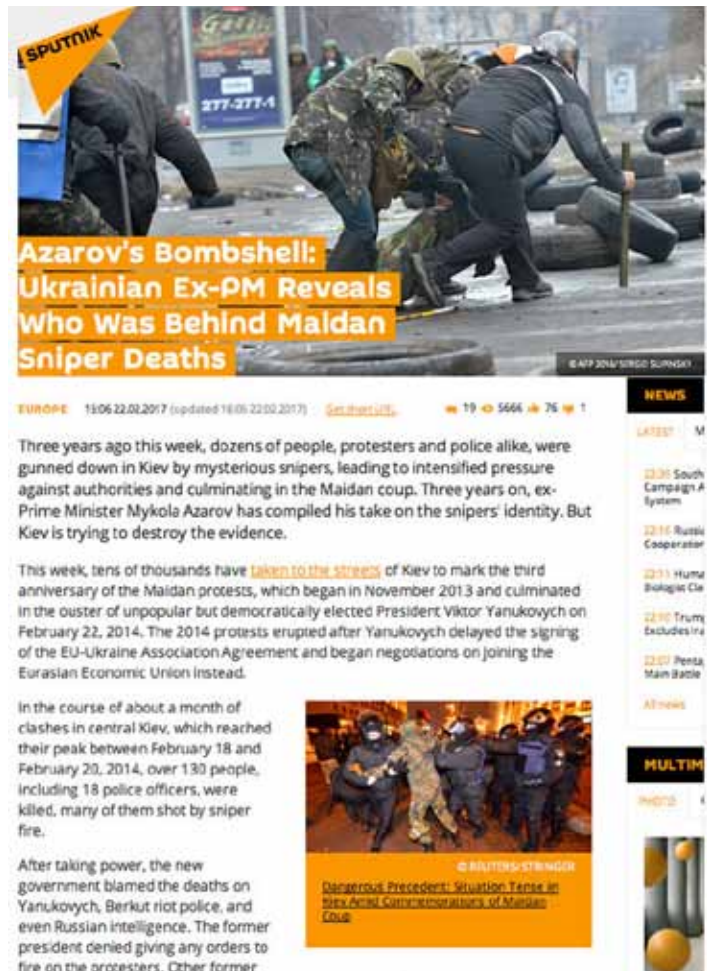
This parallels the call several weeks ago by Helga Zepp-LaRouche, designating Feb. 23, 2017 as an international “Day of Truth” to expose the Obama/George Soros authorship of both the actually-Nazi “color revolution” that overthrew the Yanukovich government of Ukraine three years ago, as well as the clear present intention by those same actors to bring down the Trump Presidency in the United States. As detailed in the February 17, 2017 *EIR* special dossier “Obama and Soros—Nazis in Ukraine 2014—U.S. in 2017?” the Ukraine coup of February 2014 was an Anglo-American intelligence operation financed by Obama’s State Department, organized to destroy the legitimately elected government of Yanukovich and lay the basis for war between Russia and the West.

On Feb. 21, in a post to his facebook page as reported by *Sputnik News*, [former Ukraine Prime Minister Mykola Azarov](#) dropped a bombshell, producing details about the identities of the snipers who sparked violence in the Maidan when they fired on both police and protesters, killing at least 50 people.

“Today we, and investigators in Kiev as well, have reliable information about the fact that the murders on the Maidan were carried out by special groups of snipers from Georgia, the Baltic countries, and Poland, under the guidance of instructors from France and Germany,” Azarov writes. Azarov added that these groups “were provided with cover and diversionary actions by shooters from the ‘Maidan Self-Defense’ group under the direction of [Andriy] Parubiy and [Serhiy] Pashinsky,” the former now serving as speaker of Ukraine’s parlia-

ment, and the latter an MP and former interim head of the presidential administration. In total, more than 130 people, including 18 police officers, were killed.

Azarov explained that “the Georgian group, consisting of 10 people, was placed in the Conservatory building [which overlooks Maidan Square]. The identities of three of them have been confirmed by photographs taken by Ukrainian Security Forces staff, and it has been established that they are Georgian nationals. On February 20, [2014] this group divided into two. One of



Azarov's Bombshell: Ukrainian Ex-PM Reveals Who Was Behind Maidan Sniper Deaths

Three years ago this week, dozens of people, protesters and police alike, were gunned down in Kiev by mysterious snipers, leading to intensified pressure against authorities and culminating in the Maidan coup. Three years on, ex-Prime Minister Mykola Azarov has compiled his take on the snipers' identity. But Kiev is trying to destroy the evidence.

This week, tens of thousands have taken to the streets of Kiev to mark the third anniversary of the Maidan protests, which began in November 2013 and culminated in the ouster of unpopular but democratically elected President Viktor Yanukovich on February 22, 2014. The 2014 protests erupted after Yanukovich delayed the signing of the EU-Ukraine Association Agreement and began negotiations on joining the Eurasian Economic Union instead.

In the course of about a month of clashes in central Kiev, which reached their peak between February 18 and February 20, 2014, over 130 people, including 18 police officers, were killed, many of them shot by sniper fire.

After taking power, the new government blamed the deaths on Yanukovich, Berkut riot police, and even Russian intelligence. The former president denied giving any orders to fire on the protesters. Other former

Sputnik News reports former Ukrainian Prime Minister Azarov's explosive revelations, Feb. 22, 2017.

them fired from the conservatory building, the other from the Hotel Ukraine building.” Azarov reports that the presence of a third group of shooters is assumed. This group reportedly killed 50 people in the space of 30 minutes from a third building overlooking the square, and were immediately moved out of the area.

Azarov notes that the coup plotters, Parubiy, Pashynskiy, Secretary of the National Defense Council Oleksander Turchynov, Interior Minister Arsen Avakov, and former prime minister Arseny Yatsenyuk, all of whom were appointed to their positions after the coup, “have done everything they could to destroy evidence and people’s testimony. An attempt was made to place the blame for the massacre squarely on Yanukovych and the Berkut riot police.”

Azarov’s facebook posting contains many links to what appear to be eyewitness accounts from the Maidan, and numerous videos and photos documenting the violence on the Maidan in February 2014. The evidence exists, he says, that helps “establish with absolute objectivity” the involvement of Turchynov, Parubiy, Pashinsky, et al. in the organization of the mass carnage which took place three years ago.

One video shows Pashinsky stopped at a checkpoint on streets of central Kiev in February 2014 with a sniper rifle in the trunk of his car, which he recently claimed he was carrying for self-defense.

Earlier Evidence

This is not the first time it has been reported that the killers in Kiev were hired snipers. Not long after the murders, a conversation was leaked between Estonian Foreign Minister Urmas Paet and Katherine Ashton, foreign affairs chief of the EU, in which Paet told Ashton that the same snipers had killed both police and protesters, and that “somebody” from the “new [ruling coalition](#)” was behind them.

The day following Azarov’s revelation, former Ukrainian President Victor Yanukovych called on the Council of Europe to convene an independent commission to investigate the coup event and murders in Ukraine from Feb. 18-22, 2014. He made the proposal in a letter to Chancellor Merkel and Foreign Minister Steinmeier of Germany, to the Presidents of France and Poland, as well as to the heads of the Council of Europe, the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE), and the European Parliament.

In a separate letter to President Trump, along with his call to investigate Maidan crimes, he called upon the U.S. President to “investigate the part played in them

by U.S. officials” in backing the opposition, citing the role played in particular by then-U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for European and Eurasian Affairs Victoria Nuland, U.S. Senator John McCain, and then-U.S. Ambassador Geoffrey Pyatt. He also called on Trump to help bring an end to the bloodshed in Ukraine, a conflict which he said had resumed anew in the Donbass region after an offensive by the Kiev government in violation of the Minsk II agreements.

Speaking to a group of Russian and Ukrainian reporters in Moscow on the necessity for a truth commission, Yanukovych said:

There are many witnesses who do not want to testify to the current authorities, do not want to provide any information, because they know that in the past three years all the evidence that could be destroyed, was destroyed. There are people who are willing to testify, but only to an international monitoring commission that should be set up in order to fulfill the agreement signed on February 21 [2014], and should particularly include representatives of the opposition and international experts.

He also charged that the current Ukrainian Prosecutor General, Yuri Lutsenko, had organized illegal activities and killings that took place at the Maidan, and had publicly said that the Maidan activists had weapons and were ready to use them.

“We are talking about the killings of innocent people who were shot dead from the buildings occupied by the Maidan activists,” Yanukoyich went on to say, according to TASS.

Not one member of the Pravy Sektor [Right Sector] was killed; they were shooting ordinary people who had just come to the Maidan. Those people were in the area that was easy to target from the buildings where the snipers were. There are many proofs and people who are ready to testify.

If the world community wants to know the truth and is willing to fulfill the pledges made before [when the February 21, 2014 agreement was signed], then all the criminals will be identified.

In response to these dramatic new revelations, Helga Zepp-LaRouche said, “This is something Trump should act on and it’s something that would make Merkel and Steinmeier look very bad if they do not act on it.”