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## Editorial

We initiated this issue with an article by Colonel Blasco, who from Spain tells us about a topical issue: the "fake news", addressing the issue with a strategic perspective and revealing its direct relationship with Information Operations advanced forever by the forces military. While, from a personal experience, denounces mismanagement given by some media information.

From Argentina, once we have an article of Guadi Calvo, where we presented a comprehensive analysis of the situation in Afghanistan. He not wasted.

The following article is a brief overview of the megatrends that can be identified at this historic moment, and that will determine the course of humanity in the next few years.

In his text "Who pulls the strings in the Armed Forces," Colonel Blasco presents an interesting historical story with recollections of his years of active duty in the Army of Spain. For the undersigned, it proved revealing.

From Argentina, our analyst Leon Ulises Kandikó, addresses the issue of Human Intelligence (HUMINT) in Ciberdigital era. Telling us about how you came to CYBERHUMINT, and what are the similarities and differences between them. The reader will note some relations with our first article on Fake News.

Through this article we flew to Burkina Faso -the fourth poorest country in the world where Guadi Calvo introduces us to its complexities, particularly the issue of terrorism and regional geopolitics.

Juan Carlos Pardo Retortillo analyzes the situation in Venezuela from an unusual and interesting perspective in his article Legitimacy, non-intervention and interference: the case of Venezuela.

Then Colonel Daniel Martinez, from Uruguay, gives us light on the dangers enclosing migrations, analyzing the phenomenon from different perspectives.

We close this edition with a vibrant present analysis: the violent confrontation between India and Pakistan over the Kashmir region. Reminding the terrible circumstance is the possession of nuclear weapons by the contestants.

Cognize to beat!

*Douglas Hernandez*

Editor



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The world needs lucid, able to analyze the political and geopolitical context of diaphanous way minds, presenting the truth as it is, without ideological nuances or jingoistic zeal. forums where different viewpoints can be discussed without fear of retaliation or mistreatment product of ignorance are needed. You need to leave testimony that between such barbarity and lies, there are always good and intelligent people, analyzing the major problems that affect us and thinking that a better world is possible.

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# *Speaking of lies, fallacies and False News*

By Blasco Francisco Javier Robledo, Retired Colonel (Spain)



Today, unfortunately and against the will of many people, and mainly for those who have had the good fortune to live cultural, and social much better than the current political situations, we find that the three words of the statement are part of our everyday vocabulary to be repeated too often. Not because we like to appeal to them without cause or reason, but because our cultural and social and political relationship society falls many times, too many perhaps, in serious controversies and moments that cause own situations or derived from those in which there can be no choice you use them for falling into them.

Although, initially, one might think that the three concepts are the same or almost the same; I think, though often appear as concatenated, we must analyze them to differentiate themselves by the gravity of its meaning, content or scope, for his appearance at the time of its entry into scene.

First, from the beginning of time in which appeared communication between humans arose the concept of the lie that can be defined as: "an expression used by the man who is contrary to what we know, think or believes. Often it used in opposition to what is considered as truth. Lies, therefore, implies a falsehood [1]".

Meanwhile, for the study of what is fallacious but, without going into disquisitions about the different kinds of these, their orientations and impact; it is

known that this concept comes from the Latin fallacia, indicating that "a fallacy is nothing but a lie or deception which aims to harm someone without one realizes ... A person uses a fallacy to get something you know I could not get otherwise than through appeal to falsehood. Usually their intention is not exactly damage, but make a profit, but, however, is not worried about hurting others to get what you want [2]".

Finally, speaking of false news (Fake News) we understand that historically this word has been rarely used as such; although in recent years, perhaps because of a certain impulse to the same both Trump as Putin and environs, it is gaining greater prominence and employment to be used much as powerful a weapon and penetrating knife with firm intentions of impoverishing and embrutecer diplomatic relations between countries little avenidos, extolling the problems within the natural alliances if disputes between their members or in internal relations "normal and not so much" in the social arena, political and labor arise; Also, in the vagaries of unethical information in general and in the internecine struggles or leadership within and between media and social networks for hogging audiences.

However, and given its involvement in this latest concept of double word, we should first define what is an untruth. Term also has its' origins in the Latin

falsitas concept describing the lack of truth or authenticity of an object or individual. A falsehood may be a lie or a notion that identifies a statement that conceals or misrepresents the reality of partial or absolute manner [3]. "

because we see that they are all concepts that are interrelated but, really, are not exactly the same as a matter of nuances, ways to show or depending on the scope, impact or true intentions or end to achieve goals by which one decide or another way to communicate, relate, evade an issue or problem or purely to attack, discredit and hurt someone or something.

In this, as in many advances in this life and in most of the "evil", tools, weapons or different paths that can be used to counter, control or abate the enemy, were the armed forces (FAS) the who were the pioneers in the idea, development, implementation and use of such tactics, techniques and procedures. In improving and adapting them in time to and depending on available resources or goals that apply and also their transfer mechanisms that have been changing a lot with the developments and progress of science or society itself and its customs.

Thus, among these, we can cite a variety of activities ranging from simple to other more complex aspects such as: the supply of food and water in areas or besieged or encircled to try and soften the adversary localities; open and selective executions of prisoners as an alternative to the surrender of fortified places; written propaganda campaigns (posters announcing and launching of leaflets or informative ballots); powerful verbal based near the enemy to encourage the defection speakers propaganda spreading canards with and civilian; prisoner exchanges with false news inculcated in them; maneuvers of deception and deceit about deployments and fortifications missing or falsified; news on alleged movements of reserves; dissemination of appearances of possession or threat of use of weapons of mass destruction to intimidate the contrary; enactment of serious military threats most probably by their appearance; electronic actions and cyber warfare; the double agents and a whole host of elements to create certain near and far appearances broadcast by all or selective media and networks to thereby give a feeling of reality and produce, by such delusions, loss of moral combat the adversary and give rise to panic or mass defection and even surrender.

Today, all such operations, which complement and sometimes confused with pure Psychological Operations; are known and concentrated in a grandly named specialty "Info Ops" u Information Operations

in which collaborate and cooperate all elements Support Maneuver for fulfilling a momentous mission within the concept Combat Support, under control only it acts as a coordinated attack on greased and truthful information and intelligence and counter adversary morale before having to get to the cruel use of deadly weapons to soften or even replacing those.

It may be precisely the success and experience in much of the military actions of this kind, which may have led to the idea that its application in civilian life could be very advantageous for potential large effects achieved on the competition or opponents, with the simple use of means that apparently are not very abrasive and even somewhat difficult to detect or identify in form and authorship. Thus, in civilian life today apply and much international, social, political conflicts, actions on economies, sabotage media and ad networks, how effective tool to attack the veracity of the information and mainly in smear campaigns on people, media, business.



Lately, turbid falsehoods and hinder international political relations and are intended to undermine or interfere in the political, economic and social life in other countries; Furthermore, these were confirmed as a phenomenon in crescendo. As examples among many others, there may be mentioned interference false information based on estimates, campaigns and results in large electoral processes in many countries; in the last elections in the US based influence Trump campaign against his main opponent, Hillary Clinton and vice versa; Similarly, in several countries in Europe with Germany as a preferred target; too much influence in creating trends, support, accessions and opinions in favor of new ideas, political parties or even conflicts carried out by countries,

Notorious was his mark in other important elections in troubled countries like Russia, where Putin faced strong opponents but changing public opinion, and finally swept them ended with an overwhelming majority in its favor; Similarly, in Turkey with electoral processes and constitutional law changes to benefit the dictator Erdogan; in more than

one country in the Americas recently completed electoral processes where changes have occurred Copernican or other countries to support almost entrenched regimes like Cuba, Nicaragua and Venezuela among others; Today no one doubts the great influences and economic impacts caused that led to bankruptcy several major banks and caused the recent global economic crisis or major Finally,

Not rule that falsehoods, lies and false news in the domestic political arena of a well-managed in the media, places and appropriate times country are sometimes more than enough to cause severe and intractable crisis in political parties, governments or even cause them to fall based on innuendo, rumors, misunderstandings or putting in the mouths of actors highlight certain facts or statements that never occurred, or the nature and intensity with which they reproduce, they modulate and amplify.

clear and recent everything said in this last point example, it has been the orchestration to curdle, produce and perform the censure motion Rajoy by Sanchez. It took a series of rumors, creating a fictional and exasperated social environment and misrepresenting very interested statements, personal, deviant, unproven or actually tried by any competent court; by only one of the three judges of the court who judged a partial piece of the famous case Gurtel - referida two municipalities in the province of Madrid and irrisorias- amounts to an aspiring-with the fewest seats in history PSOE- no need for this program and the support of the nationalists, separatists, populist and pro-ETA parties hemicycle could take forward the motion.

Another means to distort the true intentions of citizens and create false expectations or disappointments in the really early in the electoral ranking involves the manipulation of surveys and mediáticamente- -popular what comes to be known as "kitchen". Deftly handled and cooked properly can produce amazing effects positive or negative, depending on the case, which influence the moral and voter decision. But they also have the danger that, if the cook is passed seasoning, stew can go inedible.

similar tool is that used for online sales of "strange" and little or no legal things, the introduction of drugs or illegal magical treatments and not recommended; also by many pseudo religious sects that trap followers revenue purposes and specialists recruitment of child pornography or human trafficking.

Internet use and social networks are the means most used for all these activities, half or entirely criminal because they can easily conceal anonymous when it launches, supports, use and trade. Media more "serious" they are less used to these cases

because "officially" are more impenetrable because they obey more ethical and professional standards. However, given the successive degradation of media professionals, uncontrolled increase in these mainly, the digital-and the constant loss of moral and ethical values in society in general and in certain "professionals" who have abandoned the main flag of your profession, we can say that this standard of resistance,

At this point, I would like to focus more, given its notoriety in the Falsas to decipher its raison d'être and describe in some detail News, a specific case and very recently I know well and who unwittingly found myself being the protagonist of a bizzare clear and easily frameable news story as false.

FAUX NEWS, or they are newly invented nor new-fangled phenomenon; They have been occurring long; although it looks like it is precisely the massive use of this concept and word by Trump, as a means of self defense or own a weapon against their opponents throughout his electoral campaign and more since taking the presidency of the US- which I may have put them fashionable and also have influenced the updating and boost employment concept.

Returning to recapitulate the concepts already mentioned at the beginning of this work, one can say, without fear of large deviations, a news False is and is so named because it contains untruths which leads us to recall some aspects among those mentioned in the definition of the term "lack of truth or authenticity of an object or individual ... may be a lie or the notion that identifies a statement that conceals or misrepresents the reality of partial or complete manner." False news, besides trying to hide its author and Soler include pure falsehoods; It can be molded base and certain malicious fallacies; thus, according to the interpretation of the definition of these: be lies or deceit with which it is intended to harm a person without realizing it ... Whoever uses, makes for something you know could not get otherwise than through appeal to falsehood. And although his first intention was not to harm, but to get its own economic benefit, fame or social; however, he is not worried about hurting others, even seriously, to get what you want the forger.

All this hodgepodge of ideas, concepts and definitions we can easily deduce an outline of self-definition that one could say: False News intentioned elements are usually hidden under diffuse authorship; They are missing the truth or authenticity as they conceal or misrepresent the reality of partial or absolutely. They are nothing but lies and deceptions that are released in one or more means in order to get something through the use of falsehoods and by its

own idiosyncrasies, often very harmful because, to get your sought benefit their authors and do not care helpers and even, in some cases, they are interested or seek to hurt those affected by them.

Therefore, and it is very important to emphasize; a Notice False is not a simple fib unimportant; is a premeditated that, based on lies and falsehood tries to confuse people looking for a target regardless hurting or enslave people can until they have no part in the spurious objectives that prepares and / or disseminated by the mere fact of having fun; although many times, what your target sought is primarily moral and socially attack the taxpayer and / or ruin your reputation because of dark and strange interests slanderer. Interests that even in some cases, can become economic.

Create and maintain a reputation is a very difficult and costly process; only achieved with good and powerful basis for it, over many years and constantly feeding it good principles, reasons, weight work and important results maintained over time. Tear it apart is much easier than you thought or imagine. Recover it can be even more costly or difficult than initially create it and that must be overcome with fundamentals and clear examples a whole litany of bad propaganda, falsehoods and real uncomfortable situations arising from personal hatred, or political, social or ethical concerns which launches campaign against a particular person or institution.

Thanks or as a result of false news, you can attack a person or entity in the depths of their honor, cleaning action or thought and above all, their dignity and personal and professional prestige. So the moral damage and prestige that you may be infringing is incalculable.

The mode and means of dissemination of false news varies according to the importance of the subject; you can ensure that it is not only through the classical social networks. Generally, you need a clear physical support some credit to give you a "certificate" suitable for authenticity and a greater degree of credibility, preventing it from becoming one of the thousands of gossip or rumors more or less rolling malintencionados- daily by most of those.

We should remember the wise words spoken in the past by Gaius Titus in the Roman Senate, which remain very much alive "Words fly, it is written." Based on this statement, it is understood that it is quite normal that false reports, especially given important draft and with the idea of giving them a powerful and depth of misconduct, requiring a written support published on paper or in one or more media or Internet sites of some roots and carried forward for mutual connection and various other social networks and give

a stamp of prior validation and achieve greater coverage in various successive steps.

Once widespread and often aggravated and each step that collects the above, the ball grows larger until reaching incredible dimensions and often almost impossible to counteract. The damage caused at that time and has no limits. It is precisely because of this, so it is very necessary to act as soon as possible, as quickly as possible to combat the news and stop its spread to having to avoid an unequal struggle between a person and different media with different capacities on several fronts time.

In Spain and try to cut the theme root once detected, there are certain legal tools that look-and simplicity that their application and implementation is little laborious and nothing complicada- produce effects of a high efficiency counter and close accurately and quickly the potential seriousness of the issue. Failure to reach an amicable agreement between the parties to implement the rectification requested in the first step, it is up to the Courts of First Instance resolve such conflicts denunciation of affected which must accompany the evidence of what happened and what has been done to settle the conflict without there being borne fruit with a positive result. Always, successive and / or parallel, is the possibility of resorting to judicial demand and higher courts in defense of personal interests at stake on both sides; although this step is usually given over mainly by the plaintiff by the defendant.

The simple process referred to in the preceding paragraph, is collected and clearly explained in the Organic Law 2/1984 of 26 March, regulating the right of correction [5]. A law with only 8 items and two derogatory provisions in Article 1 includes the foundation, intent and scope thereof "Every natural or legal person is entitled to rectify the information disseminated by any means of social communication, facts that allude, it considers inaccurate and whose disclosure could cause harm".

Well, thanks to the use and placement of this Act whose application -for not required the assistance of counsel or procurator could apply and get your first step in requesting rectification through the instrument referred to in Article 2 "A correction personally written to the Director of media "by burofax to make it official record of delivery of the applicant and the receipt of the document by the medium involved.

I have seen the effectiveness of this Act; although parallel, I must say that, initially as an act of goodwill and understanding between the parties, without judicial or personal encounter mediation, not always required to rectification they in line to meet exactly what clearly requested by the other party. Bad practice

or possible murky certain intentions disguised what they are not always harbor some leeway to do so or to meet halfway so that, although apparently cater to what they demand, they do not fully or certain subterfuge; as, later, we can see.



Those who know me personally or follow me on different networks, websites, digital magazines or on both domestic and foreign paper; They know that my many jobs are usually centered on current issues, national or international political, geostrategic conflicts, future projections on partnerships to which Spain belongs or referred to countries with conflicting leaders, all with a no weapons of mass destruction; the latter topic, I know well for having spent many years of my professional life.

The last of my original works and some envidia I published on October 20, 2018; by an article which was called "saber rattling or put the stick on the table" [6]. As usual, I hung it on my website [7] and LinkedIn; Subsequently, I know that was collected on other websites and a magazine where their editorial boards usually include my work after requesting my consent as an author.

Before anything and because I think it's important, I would like to emphasize that-and so expressed in this work-the main intention in writing it was part of what is customary in my way of approaching and presenting my work; try to analyze from the parameters of Critical Thinking the above situations or problems to present the conclusions that appear as real as possible, point solutions or alternative solutions; and even-as has already happened to me in several cases and this too-try to calm tempers possible adverse or soon founded, among those who, through ignorance of the situation, with current or driven by personal impulses legality or very ideological attempt to force or propose alternatives,

So I decided to relate, cite and present a clear and direct my work based on the development of a study on these themes entitled "The King and the Armed Forces" -<http://e-spacio.uned.es/fez/> Eserv /

bibliuned: DerechoPolitico-1980-07-10041 / PDF-published by a prestigious legalistic also be one of the fathers of the Constitution, D. Miguel Herrero and Miñón Rodrigues of which I quoted and literally moved my article several paragraphs, which I quote. although somewhat abstracted by shortening work:

"The three fundamental precepts in this regard are:

- First, Article 8. 1 of the Constitution which states: "The Armed Forces ... is to guarantee the sovereignty and independence of Spain, defending its territorial integrity and constitutional order."
- Secondly, Article 62, which states that "It is the King in paragraph h) the supreme command of the Armed Forces."
- And third and last article 97, which states: "... The Government directs the military administration and the defense of the state."

For the interpretation of these provisions has to be addressed on the one hand, the provisions of Article 56, which states: "... The King exercises the functions expressly conferred on him by the Constitution and laws", and on the other Article 64, which states: the King's acts shall be countersigned by the Prime Minister and, where appropriate, by the competent ministers. Acts of King countersign the people who are responsible. "

Now one of these functions is, in that Article 62, the supreme command of the armed forces, so and so integrated reading both provisions requires recognizing that the King exercises the supreme command of the armed forces. But surely this competition has exercised regal, like all others under countersignature, in this case the ministers responsible, thereby covering the irresponsibility of the monarch (art. 64)

These are the constitutional principles that must comply with the Organic Law of the Armed Forces, as required by the Constitution (art. 8.2). Now the legal development of these constitutional provisions, first in the Law of 28 December 1978 concerning the governing bodies of National Defense and then the Organic Law establishing the basic criteria of National Defense are regulated and Military Organization, seems to eviscerate these constitutional precepts, or what is the same, reduced to merely symbolic command. "

Similarly, following the findings and subsequent arguments the jurist header employee to document my work, I came to the following conclusion in that article, I stated also that, again, again I copy verbatim:



"The FAS should be alert, prepared and ready to assist, at the request of the government, to fulfill their most sacred as it is to defend, with every effort and expertise required, the integrity of Spain and constitutional order. Mission that comes clearly marked without other hindrance to underline the same paragraph- referred to in the Constitution in Article 8.1."

Despite extensive, comprehensive and detailed collection and development of elements of judgment and weight and be convinced that all of them without exception had been properly seated; what was my surprise when six days later, on October 26, is published in Spanish through a digital -at renowned hitherto considered him seriously - an anonymous document, based on my work that I appointment without having consulted to it-without apparent motive or reason explained attacking me in various ways from the title of his own work to the different self-extracting conclusions as its author insists, explicit and stresses that because of the orientation, intent or purpose of my article with my document that was asking the king to Activase the army against the independence movement in Catalonia.

As is readily understandable, my initial surprise and anger were egregious later understand that poured into his published in the digital'm saying in his title and most of the various párrafos- was not true and totally different version of what I I had bothered to write and make it abundantly clear. In this regard, I must say, riveting and add, for my part, given the seriousness of the issue, during processing and several times before publishing my original work, I made sure that all statements, quotes and conclusions expressed in it were true enough grounded, to clean and clear; in any way, they could be liable to give rise to any serious or misinterpretation by far than read them in my original pretended to interpret them.

In addition to the title, and other false and disparaging to me any of my destinations mentions; there is a very sorrowful sentence for being accusatory, false and very serious. In his version it ensures that I keep in my work and I think that despite the above still prevails the provision included in the Constitution on the Organic Laws.

In any case, if there is any doubt about what said so far, just take the trouble to read my work, referenced above, and check what was said. On the other hand, I can say without fear of any error that anonymous digital work is full of lies, falsehoods and fallacies. He did not just copy and quote paragraphs and texts of mine, without further ado, then deduct their own conclusions which not mías- but also

partially quote and interested parties / pieces of my paragraphs uncompleted, the readjusted and free paste at will and in their order to "auto interpret" so and so, after many twists and with their free, nothing clear and own interpretations.



As mentioned, spared no effort in trying to hurt me personally in terms of certain terms and topics that may appear trivial errors or views of a little person formed in habits, customs, structure and military law; however, supposedly, everything indicates that mentions knowing, that if true, could come to have much significance and importance for the possible damage caused both my person, family, friends and colleagues, as my professional reputation and staff .

First, from the beginning of his dull work itself he refers -in just a few lines of his introduction to my military status as a colonel in the Reserve three times, one of them in boldface for emphasis of topic-. gratuitous and false statement because coincidentally, this month will be a year that I spent the status of Retired. Have continued in the Reserve and write or publicly proclaim something against the law, constitution, rules, procedures or purely military jurisdiction would be subject necessarily to the latter and surely could be prosecuted for misdemeanors or crimes of various rating, according to the my manifesto content may correspond to the fault or serious crime.

He missed his shot for three reasons; my administrative and legal situation is very easy to check, and in fact I am convinced that this happened in certain instances; anyone with a minimum capacity of reading comprehension, after reading my article, I could never reach their conclusions and reasoning and, because being retired, I have equal rights, obligations and limitations that any private citizen was definitely military jurisdiction.

Not content with his "slip" on my administrative status and intentions guess not understand appointment twice my last destination -a great honor for it and for several years as Deputy Director of

CIFAS (Intelligence Center Forces armed). I really do not think it did happen; but to give more emphasis on my previous responsibilities since, according to those, should have been more cautious in my statements; but do not rule out other possible intentions for his strange way to neglect the fundamental mission of CIFAS who considered alone as the center of the "military spies" when in fact fulfills many more.

On 30 October the view that his article was posted from 26 and despite having tried unsuccessfully to an amicable solution; according to the aforementioned Organic Law 2/1984 regulating the right of rectification, I directed my letter of rectification burofax the director of the environment in which after full and detailed statement of reasons I limited my right to: "I suggest and at the same time I request the publication of my original complete work in the same places and times that his publication has remained in its pages. " The law offers within three days to meet the required rectification.

With the following addition; "Failure to do so by the deadline voluntarily turn, I will be forced to exercise the right to seek justice corresponding rectification action based on Article 4 of the aforementioned Act governing the right of rectification (2 /1984). Provided that notwithstanding that this process can be compatible with the exercise of civil or criminal actions of another nature that could assist me by the gravity of the facts published (Article 6 of the Act). "

In less than 24 hours after the official reception of burofax and although nobody contacted me, I understand that my complaints and grievances were addressed because that happened with the request. But I must say that really made forms a "peculiar" both of you. His "maneuver" rectification interpret it as unfashionable for an average of its category, with certain and known moral roots and desirable professionalism, as indeed they published my work but with "certain tricks": the titrated with the lowest font size possible without bold and also did so under a "new title" his full-page and in bold; unorthodox, although less hurtful than the previous, equally lacking in accuracy, which he made allusions to that was published as a mention of a job (mine) in which he spoke of King and Catalonia when the content of that was much larger and complete. Moreover, without habérselo required, they have kept next to mine -the its original publication had requested retirar-accessible with a clear and simple link as "related news" so actually, with another pointedly apparent still maintained his false I work in view of all and on the same page of your website. Which, incidentally, they had done with mine, when they published his in the first format. Moreover, even if not requested in person,

anyone who understands that he has not acted properly, because with their education and covert insistence could fall further claims, the avoided from the outset. have kept next to mine -the its original publication had requested retirar-accessible with a clear and simple link as "related news" so actually, with another pointedly apparent still maintained his false work in view of all and on the same page of your website. Which, incidentally, they had done with mine, when they published his in the first format. Moreover, even if not requested in person, anyone who understands that he has not acted properly, because with their education and covert insistence could fall further claims, the avoided from the outset. have kept next to mine -the its original publication had requested retirar-accessible with a clear and simple link as "related news" so actually, with another pointedly apparent still maintained his false work in view of all and on the same page of your website. Which, incidentally, they had done with mine, when they published his in the first format. Moreover, even if not requested in person, anyone who understands that he has not acted properly, because with their education and covert insistence could fall further claims, the avoided from the outset.

Finally, mention another fact at least curious, since this digital publication offers the possibility that your readers can comment on the work hanging on it. Comments, which as expected, must pass some sort of filter to avoid profanity, offensive or embarrassing to the author or the subject expressions. But strangely, because I know first hand and sure, enough friends and my supporters tried to hang a comment trying to ginning the content of your writing. But after announcing its passage through this revision, the vast majority of them never saw the public light; however, most of those "if they spent their filters" atentaban casually against my dignity or severely criticized openly and seriously what was "supposed" said and written.

Therefore, I strongly believe that this digital publishing worked, at least to insist on maintaining publication that was only a Noticia False despite being warned by several comments from readers and my friendly attempts to correct and not they did, but in his own way, until a few hours later my legal and official requirements. A publication, which I attributed these and false facts and offended me professionally and personally. They are unable or unwilling to react as appropriate in what is seen as good education and "fair play" means in terms of courtesy, information and communication truthful without chicanery.

Parallel and incredibly to those facts, a few days later, the same publishing house published a good job

procazmente denouncing the dangers and problems caused to individuals and entities the false information. News that according to the article, would be eradicated completely from the media.

In short, everything seen I believe that false reports are gradually invading the political, economic and social relations in all aspects and parameters of life in Spain and elsewhere. It is a very old tool; though, it is while taking a vigor and splendor very dangerous and large due to the proliferation of social networks where there is no control by the growing and unstoppable rise of a series of Digital Publications and Websites -sometimes in the hands of irresponsible or little people formed moral and ethically- that because of possible spurious interests, try to belittle, vilify, humiliate or offend individuals by strangers and very little explicable reasons. While many strive to say otherwise, the level of cultural formation and reasoning of people is minimum. I think, sadly for us, instead of looking to grow in the true culture, we love

us to gossip or talk, where dimes, tattle and gossip are all that fills us with pleasure our short time dedicated to the intellect and savvy of that, some media, strange and voluntarily offered to cooperate with it.

I am among those who think that capture, protect them, defend or publish such hoaxes; They are well aware of the scope and moral damage, family, social and professional persons or entities victims of them and how difficult for many of them can assume recover all or part of their damaged or lost prestige is. However, when one has already blackened face from the smoke of his many battles against the moral adversity, the vicissitudes of life or evil of certain individuals; this type of duplicitous attacks by amoral or unethical friends of humiliation, can reach serve as an incentive to convince him to follow his breakthrough and a way, without ever abandoning the law, and always report this type of indiscriminate attacks although, being able to avoid,

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# *Afghanistan: Too many reasons for war*

By Guadi Calvo (Argentina)



Donald Trump administration breakneck pace leading talks with the Taliban to end the longest and most expensive war fought by the United States in its history.

After more than 17 years, the lives of some 2,500 of its troops (mercenaries) can be seen very tenuously, to the US invasion, in which Washington has invested tens of millions of dollars, and the other 4,000 contractors also mostly Americans, besides having returned "home" about 20 thousand injuries of varying severity, which represents also a very high political and social costs, long and fabulous mortgage for the state.

The numbers of dead and wounded Afghans, absurdly talk about 24 000, is exponentially greater, although the accuracy in these cases is irrelevant, are counted wrong, no distinction rarely if the dead are civilians or militants because they are all Afghans. The account will be missing also about 3 thousand Pakistanis, also counted wrong, dead in their country, many in their own homes by "miscalculations" also called collateral damage, operators drones in booths with air conditioning and anatomical armchairs , operating from some base on American soil.

Beyond the unspeakable monstrosity deployed against the Afghan people and all, the Pentagon has failed again and still so lost, as lost in the Vietnamese

jungle, so to not end up with something like the scandalous flight from Saigon in 1975 or re-make a costly investment in more men, more weapons and no doubt many more body-bag, Trump presses! Special Representative for Afghanistan Reconciliation State Department Zalmay Khalilzad is developing a fine job in Doha (Qatar) with the delegation Taliban for peace or rather a more or less discrete output, for the United States, some senior US officials talk about a surrender.

Representatives of the insurgent group would have already accepted a first draft peace proposal. While all of this point is not known, if it is known that includes two key points: by Washington the complete withdrawal of its troops, about 14,000 men, Trump had unilaterally announced in late 2018 the withdrawal of about 8,000 ; by the organization mullah Haibatulá Ajundzada, you agree not to allow the Afghan territory, again become a sanctuary for organizations like al-Qaeda or Daesh, the latter organization very active, particularly in the north and the city of Kabul.

On February 25 the negotiating tables were reactivated, with no place to sent Afghan President Ashraf Ghani, whom the Taliban have refused to meet to consider it a "puppet" American grouper.

Meanwhile the Taliban also carries "intra-Afghan talks" in Moscow with the political opposition to the

government of President Ghani, who apparently brings better results than Doha.

A short important circuit has occurred this last Wednesday, February 6, Mullah Abdul Salam Hanafi, a member of the delegation of Taliban in meetings in Moscow, unofficially reported that the United States pledged to withdraw half of its staff in Afghanistan next May. What he was immediately denied by Pentagon officials and senior US officials in Afghanistan.

Neither Trump in his annual State of the Union last Tuesday, appeared to be very optimistic when he referred to Afghanistan: "As we move forward in these negotiations, we can reduce the presence of our troops and focus on counter-terrorism," he said with feeble-minded, magante ruddy.

Apparently though, the remote hope for peace exists, we still have a long journey for so dangerous gorges as those of the Hindu Kush mountains. Nothing still remembers about that will make the Taliban with thousands of Afghan collaborators, once retired American country, or what is the place of the woman who will give the Taliban, if it will implement again so strictly Shariah or Islamic law, as it did in the interregnum 1996-2001, among many other questions that need to be done and much worse unanswered, regarding the proper place to occupy the Taliban as a military force and political, all victorious lights, which will be the thousands of men who now constitute his troops, trained and highly ideologized, Will they accept integrate organized Afghan National Army (ANA)

To all this, President Ghani, thinking about how to keep your stuck neck to his shoulders, in talks held on Tuesday with United States Secretary of State, Mike Pompeo, spoke of the "importance" of ensuring the centrality of Afghan government in the peace process, which has not been Consider at all.

But perhaps the big question is: Are all Taliban commanders agree a pact with the United States? Particularly those in the north seem to be the most reluctant to obey what can be resolved both in Doha and Moscow.

#### **North a warm place.**

To maintain muscle Taliban continues its attacks against various targets, few weeks ago they were killed 41 men of the Afghan security forces and 15 others were wounded in two attacks on checkpoints in the provinces of Khunduz and Baghlan in the north from the country. According Kabul attackers would have suffered 22 casualties. The assault on Khunduz that left 30 casualties, would have made members of the elite troop Sara Khitta in Pashto Red Unit, which has a budget of between 300 and 500 men, trained as

commandos specialized in night fighting and armed with sophisticated art equipment and even night vision goggles Russian and American origin, who left. In the attack in neighboring Baghlan province, a checkpoint local police were attacked, sparking a clash that lasted two hours, in which 10 policemen and a member of the paramilitary forces, which supports Kabul died. In both attacks the insurgents stole weapons and equipment of the security forces.

In addition to Taliban commanders constantly operating in the north of the country in recent weeks versions of the constant arrival of Daesh militants from Syria and Iraq multiplied. So far the number of followers of Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi was estimated at 500 men, the latest figures speak of about 2,500 arrivals since the beginning of the year, including many of Tajik origin.

A few days ago the Deputy Minister of Internal Affairs of Russia, Igor Zubov, talked about the attempt to destabilize Central Asia, referring to militants Daesh being transferred en masse from Iraq and Syria to the Afghan-Tajik border, east of Massif Pamir, which links to other large mountain ranges border crossing between Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Afghanistan to the south and China to the northeast, for what would be using helicopters unmarked from Pakistan, it is known that the Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI) an almost autonomous state within Pakistan has historical ties with all fundamentalist groups in Central Asia.

These reports have alarms on Tajikistan, which shares a border with Afghanistan 1400 kilometers, and excellent relations with Moscow, la border runs along the Pyanj River in its upper reaches of little volume, where it is very easy to cross, step historically used by smugglers and today by drug traffickers where introduce Afghan opium to markets in Central Asia, Russia and Eastern Europe.

Confirmed the sayings of the Deputy Zubov, this information, run in tandem with the complaint made by Iran in the middle of last year that claimed that Mujahideen also veterans of Syria and Iraq, had been transferred by US agents in northern Afghanistan in the provinces border with Tajikistan and Turkmenistan: Badakhshan, Takhar and Khunduz, where the further presence of 500 califados was verified at the end of 2018.

Of the 28 Afghan districts adjacent to the Tajik border, 23 are under full or partial control of fundamentalists and only five are held by the army and the Afghan police. According to the commander of the border troops of the State Committee of National Security of Tajikistan, Rajabali Rahmonali, about 7,000 mujahideen, belonging to about 20 different armed groups along the Tajik-Afghan border and the

Afghan provinces of Balkh be located, Khunduz, Takhar and Badakhshan each 30 bases and training camps, so the reasons for war are still many.

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# Megatrends, some notes

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It is clear that no one can predict the future, but if we can identify some "megatrends" things that are happening today and they seem to gain strength and intensity, which makes expected to continue in the short-medium term, being this time window very difficult to narrow.

The Copenhagen Institute for Futures Studies, quoted by Vargas (2016), tells us that a megatrend is:

... a political, environmental or social change technological, economic, it takes years to form; however, since as a series of signs (trends) offering a high degree of certainty about their occurrence in the medium and long term are known. (S / p)

Salazar cited by Bolanos (2016) notes that: "Megatrends are global forces capable of transforming the future impacting businesses, economies, industries, companies and individuals". (S / p)

According to the firm Ernst Young (EY), which provides audit and tax, cited by Bolanos (2016), the main megatrends are:

(1) Digital Future. There is a change in the way we work, the software and hardware are designed to replace humans. (2) emprendurismo. Entrepreneurship grows almost 50% of entrepreneurs in the world are between 25 and 44 years. (3) Global Market. Trade flows will undergo a continuous

transformation. (4) World Urban. By 2030, the 750 largest cities in the world, 220 million consumers will have additional middle class. (5) resources of the planet. Water shortages affect food and energy security. (6) Health reimaged. Advances in genomics and genetic information, will transform drug development. In addition, it will increase the incidence of chronic diseases.

Vargas (2016) on the Megatrends analysis: an analysis of the global state, prepared by the National Center for Strategic Planning of Peru, the megatrends identified in their research are identified: (1) Global demographic changes. (2) Expansion of the middle classes. (3) lack of resources. (4) Climate Change. (5) Power and Global Governance. (6) Economic Globalization. (7) Citizen Empowerment. (8) Massification Knowledge and Convergence Technology.

Regional Development Group ITESM, (s / f), relates the following "social megatrends": (1) Organic Consumer. (2) Personalized Education, Vitalicia and Universal. (3) The World: a large shopping center. (4) Asset Management and Global Governance. (5) Personalized services Market. (6) New Demographic and Family Structure. (7) Health Technology. (8) Virtualidad Daily.

We can see that the authors agree explicitly and clearly in some megatrends, and other despite having

different names refer to the same thing. Why is this foresight exercise done ?, what good is knowing what will happen globally?

Regional Development Group ITESM (s / f), concerning these matters, tells us that:

The importance of identifying and analyzing the megatrends lies not only in the anticipation of events that can transform social life and markets, but on the potential to use them, modify them, or your attenuate case and act accordingly. (...) The megatrends analysis provides information that can identify business opportunities according to: (a) Potential development of existing or future regional clusters. (B) Using the existing network or knowledge potential. (C) Finding new high value-added products with great potential. (...) Social megatrends are associated with the concept of Market Pull and means that the business opportunity arises in response to a demand from society and that translates into products and services. (S / p)

As part of the StartUp it is important to know the megatrends, because from them you may focus on current needs and anticipate future market needs. In a process of identifying business opportunities, knowledge of the megatrends, and the debate about them, can give rise to the generation of great ideas, which are necessary to boost StartUp. Without losing sight, of course, that this same process is required for more traditional businesses.

In the context of security, defense, intelligence and counter-terrorism, identify the megatrends can be the difference between success and death. times of great instability, which will test the sovereignty of the countries with "soft coups" ahead, the fourth generation warfare, hybrid warfare and asymmetric warfare will be practiced. Terrorism as a form of anger fight crescendo, charged boom cyberwar and cyberterrorism, and amidst all this will be the media, exerting an unusual power, telling society to think, what to believe, what to buy, and by whom vote. Are you ready for all this?

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# *Who pulls the strings in the Armed Forces?*

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As it is easily understood, because of my military employment already served and definitely over, I have dedicated myself to the armed forces (FAS) my entire professional life since age 18 when I joined up to retirement age. My vocation was born spontaneously after hesitating for most of high school between it or be a surgeon.

Now, during the third phase of my life and more time for reflection and clearer, unhurried, expert and clear vision of the plans, intentions and all that really me has happened in such a long period of time I must say that as a summary of most of my varied professional activity I am fully employed and pawed at like one or the other depending on the time, place and circumstances which, for various reasons, could rent them pingües or scarce beneficial that, at each moment or circumstance they held the control and power of such forces.

The FAS is a harmonious group of people who generally united by an intense vocation, tradition, love and respect for history and example of our ancestors and glued strongly by iron discipline and respect for rules and regulations, they manage to cope in all kinds scenarios with varying degrees of skill and try to be

respectful and faithful followers with everything around them and encouraged to remain the guarantors of the values, dignity, respect, integrity and independence of what they love individually and collectively , your contry.

It is in compliance and idea of this noble task, for many perhaps somewhat outdated or difficult to understand, what its members devote all their efforts since deciding to embrace and refine the skills to cope with the demands of the career of the weapons; directing their actions to do with true vocation and desire to be faithful followers of the solemn and great work on the idea of not asking or refuse to make it happen and always imbued with a high spirit of chivalry, unblemished leadership, some degree of fellowship peerless and with very little false corporatism.

All virtues not easily understandable and much less attainable for anyone who does not feel within himself a high vocation, sense of duty and great devotion to the true and wholesome discipline. As is readily understandable, not all such qualities are innate and therefore some are acquired after years of studies, physical training, morale and staff in order to

know instruct and properly manage people in difficult and capable situations to mold their lives personal and family to the demands of tasks that sometimes can come to seem too demanding for anyone who is not well prepared or slightly psyched to overcome them.

With no personal or family and full of vocation by militia experience I decided to follow my desire to develop the race beginning to enter as a cadet at the Military Academy after two years of attempts and four more studies and physical, mental and practical preparation for the performance of my duties as an officer.



Just when we were going to finish school, it was announced that our departure was ahead a few months by the imminence of a possible conflict with Morocco because of some invented claims about the Spanish Sahara (then a province). Spain called us because he needed officers to cover possible losses in the units deployed there and all cadets about to finish their studies, full of hope and with a heavy heart we are preparing to be the first to be called to those lands to send men willing to follow our orders given value and much example.

I went through the Sahara and there had my first personal discouragement to explicársenos that in the Green [1] March our troops, after long months of instruction and training without rest; an order of political leadership will redeploy without any resistance to the invader and there should leave to the discretion of those newcomers to a town that until then was considered mostly very Spanish. Drubbing that marked my life to not understand well that was what happened, who gave the orders to be very ill Franco and not knowing the value of the force could have on our designs one thing, for my then very ethereal, known as policy and international pressure.

Previously, in my years of training as a cadet I could see that many of the materials and much of the weaponry for higher military education were old, and quite a few obsolete; but upon reaching our units I checked with sadder even than those not had much better wardrobe, even in quantity and number of munitions that were needed for the instruction of such troop replacement was arriving to them every few months . Thing that displeased me much, because it was with them that we should do battle if necessary and, day by day I learned that much would have to supply it with large doses of zeal and imaginative staff.

Thing I could see after the Sahara when I landed in a regiment of tanks, the UAD-Rass 55 that it had the old M-47 of US aid, the remains of World War II. Soon we reached new cars, the famous AMX-30 [2], a modern French car, but much more complex and sensitive than understandable to fall into the hands of a troop replacement, with little training and as I mentioned in very short periods of actual military service, which did not give time to teach them and prepare them properly.

How was expected and given its complexity and difficult to manage the famous car constantly passing from hand to hand, each more inexperienced, as such lasted a few years in cash and real service; in an incredibly short for this type of material period, filling rust saw in the yards of obsolete Cavalry Brigade of Zaragoza material; except for a few, which after several transformations and expensive, carefully and fairly "zeal" in service followed a few years.

I later learned that, apparently, that car so sophisticated was fundamentally acquired by a series of skullduggery and political agreements between Spain and France in order to compensate for certain changes in the latter country in its policy of combating terrorism of ETA, who at the time they were rampant and even they were welcomed by and in those lands.

I was very disappointed by the government's policy on defense not to acquire the best, easier, less expensive and possibly lasting for a hungry FAS a remarkable and modern material. His replacement by new battleships materials has been a string of remodeling plans and adaptation of old models such as the M-60 [3] (another car left by the wayside in Europe after the Second World War) involving enormous overspending and disproportionate costs to finally without almost real-time employment, to be replaced by current Leopard.

I did the helicopter pilot course. My passage through the special unit for many years, one of the best in the Army of time, opened the many foreign and national career prospects. With the latter, I could test the possible differences between people of all kinds or

provenance and found that essentially were not many except on the issue of type of material used and the importance and dedication to the special instruction.

All changes are difficult to apply because they represent an important economic effort in acquisitions and major changes in supply systems, maintenance and training of personnel that manages and maintains. Spain had no more than three attack helicopters of the Alouette-III [4] French model, which also were purchased when the conflict escalated Sahara-; reason why, after a time, it was thought to have a battalion type unit equipped with "modern" attack helicopters.

After many studies and analyzes of possibilities on different models on the market, suddenly and by order of superiority, we proceeded to the purchase of BO-105 [5]. Again another mistake, as it was an old model helicopter manufactured in Germany and widely used in many other countries in police missions, traffic control and rescue by having two turbines; but that really was not designed for fighting on land carriage high average altitude as is Spain, since its transformation into such forced inclusion 6 HOT missiles and targeting systems and corresponding shooting; which led to a high increase of takeoff weight and hover [6] of the apparatus.

Again, the advice and warnings of the experts were not taken into consideration and for political or commercial gain and industrial [7] issues we had to provide several tens of said devices (73). Apparatus, not many years later, began gradually to be discharged or transferred to the Civil Guard for such necessities for their inability to what is bought or be replaced, espaciadamente and a smaller number (up to 30), by current models more consistent with the type of missions that were entrusted to them, the Tigers hAD-28 [8].

Similar stories and even more incomprehensible, if anything, occurred with the low flight so powerful helicopters as UH-1H, famous during the Vietnam War, of which Spain has come to have a large number, but despite be robust machines and relatively easy handling and maintenance flight, they were retired much earlier than in other armies of our environment and were replaced by Super Puma and its new version, the AS-532 Cougar; infamous for the accident two in Afghanistan.

Similar things have been happening with material purchases both light and heavy wheel since the army for policies to support domestic industry has been forced to acquire materials with very few real benefits power and strength to be used all terrain or with little real force to move at full load and road in poor condition.

With regard to light weapons has also proceeded to massive purchases of firearms manufactured domestically that have little assurance use in prolonged combat and much of the acquisitions had to be replaced by more chords models with what was needed. Many materials transmissions and artillery have also suffered problems homogenization or adaptation to the demands and networks.



Vehicles armored transport Pizarro, accompanying the tanks in the open and have come to replace the old TOAs and BMRs they have also gone through glorious eras of long and costly adaptations of its transmissions to fight and link with terrestrial and aerial supporting him or supported by them.

The various promotions and courses taken during my career allowed me destined to go places where I had contact with much deeper and complex national and international realities. So I found that logistics units in Spain were obsolete, were oversized or poorly balanced for their support to provide very ornate material obsolete and poorly distributed on the ground. The number of old and poorly conditioned polvorines full of hundreds of thousands of tons of expired or unusable ammunition was very large.

In view of this, I remembered that after spending many years of restrictions on the Units in the use of ammunition for the necessary training of our troops [9], there was now rid of that by massive destruction procedures, disrupt or disposal and throw as sea anchor itself until such practice is prohibited internationally and nationally [10]. We had to work long and hard for several years to vacate corking with security guarantees unrecoverable or dangerous to handle polvorines, modify respectable and build new more modern and consistent with security measures and conservation according to international standards.

My time in several international missions both logistical support as a member of the staff or the

control units or headquarters, gave me a clear view of the precarious living conditions and services in which, for many years, he embarked our soldiers in such missions. I could see personally how much he has had to evolve today to reach the degree of improvement in supply systems, hosting, maintenance, transportation, health, safety and replacement of materials and people; and, in achieving living conditions,



Today, nothing is equal to that, but I am able to personally ensure that the entire process to reach the current situation has been very hard and always the quiet and generous offer of efforts and lives of our soldiers on land and conflicts in many cases were far from our real interests or for which we were not equipped to face them with the necessary guarantees. As happened with our anachronistic and bizarre integration into international military alliances, to us he has been unfolding and refolding in missions outside, hurry and crazy, without adequate studies of air, security and cooperation; albur or need to shift without political idea or strategy than his own, party, or personal.

Destinations international headquarters of NATO have also served to see how enormous personal efforts and family in many cases, especially in times of serious crisis, have not been able to appreciate the intensity and weight corresponding reality. Many of the performances almost copies of Spanish soldiers in these destinations, carrying the prestige of Spain and FAS at very high levels in positions of great difficulty, have gone unnoticed by those who should have appreciated and valued in perspective. and proportionality

International relations developed since much of the Defense Attaché for the benefit of industry and national intelligence; as well as improving and upgrading the level of education and knowledge of our troops are not valued by politicians of the day nor the diplomatic service in working side by side; who without actually despise these aggregates, use them to their accommodation but tightening them enough to really

do not reach incordiar in their daily work, being away from their sphere of understanding and real control.

Destinations related to defense policy have led me to know without understanding its *raison d'être* that on many occasions, follow current trends or the agendas of the party in government, without taking into consideration what really matters Spain, alliances to which we belong or national security.

Similarly, and to end this long story, I would say that military intelligence is not only poorly endowed in means and capabilities, but very underrated among that community. Men and women dedicated to the study and analysis of the most important events in the world that may directly or indirectly affect our forces deployed overseas or serve as a reference to what might happen in the future deployment with Spanish participation, work without being recognized in its true and authentic measure and, what is worse, many times its forecasts and advisories fall asleep in the drawers of the highest ministerial bodies without more.

Only I dared to mention those cases I know firsthand that no longer affect national security; that, moreover, are well known and only part of a long list where they are collected many others.

Imagine in the Navy and the Air Force will have plenty to talk about fatigue of materials, erring deployments, missions needs or difficult or impossible to achieve; but I'm not one so that they can comment and did not even mention.

Yesterday I listened to the current defense minister speak of the FAS and its constitutional mission; Today the press highlights it as a singular fact, as an example of virtue and perhaps, perhaps, as a counterpoint to an erratic policy of a government that gives a lime and sand to the issue of the unity of Spain and Catalan separatism depending on the moment and the stage where they should or could pronounce.

I think his speech was redundant and only wanted to give ear about something old military trained at his first sword before hearing directly from his mouth clear words about what it represents and holds our national flag. Clever, perceptive and loquacious as ever, Your Majesty.

Mrs. Robles, do not try to entangle, we all know that what is said about the mission of the FAS understood and spelled out in the first articles of our Constitution (Article 8) is very nice; but purely verbal and nothing; unless, that is the government itself which gives the order to act. A few months ago I wrote a paper on the subject where it was clear the role and real obedience to the mandate and fulfilling the mission of FAS; especially in regard to the defense of

the unity and territorial integrity of Spain. I hope that, this time, no other dastardly, cowardly and heartless liar again misinterpret my words and take high risk situations and totally contrary to the truth.

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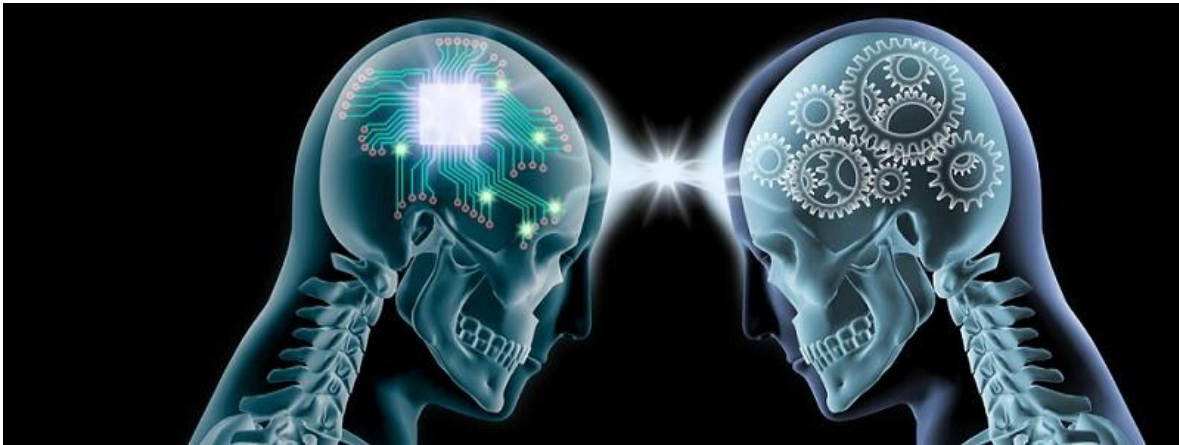
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# *HUMINT in the era Ciberdigital*

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Some time ago I wrote an article titled "Cyber Intelligence: reinventing the wheel", which among other things mean that at this time of the Ciberdigital tend to add a sort of Ciber prefix things and therefore define it as something new , which is created when actually tends to be more innovative. The truth is that in the world of intelligence as in almost every other field of security and defense, we have had to update and adapt to new scenarios, threats and certainly our new growth.

This is the case also occurs with HUMINT, some even gladly would refer to Ciber-HUMINT or so more successful the Virtual-HUMINT, in any case, this activity focuses on the identification, recruitment and management of human sources, but through techniques and methodologies that can be used in the virtual world. HUMINT, understood in its traditional form, can never be completely replaced by digital technologies online, as the need for human sources able to access direct information is the best way to conduct intelligence activities. However, human intelligence presents some critical problems because research / presence of human sources in high-risk individuals and geographical contexts, an aspect that has always had high levels of danger. Another aspect, certainly not irrelevant, is the increasing difficulty of providing sources, equipped with background and specific experience in the areas and socio-cultural contexts in which the requirements related to intelligence activities demonstrate this concept and related are well posed in depth by Russell D. Howard in "Intelligence in Denied Areas; New concepts for a changing security environment "(Joint Special Operations University 2007). in areas and socio-cultural contexts in which the requirements related to

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Now it is true that working in a hostile environment and carry out tasks HUMINT is somewhat complex, so we can consider that in the XXI century the actions performed in cyberspace or virtual world, generate a not inconsiderable contribution to reducing these complexities affecting the collection of information across platforms and / or usable virtual instruments in cyberspace, a digital ecosystem able to eat without limits of any kind, information of any kind. However, considering that the collection of information within the network could be the key to eliminating human intelligence, it would be a serious mistake. The proof of this lies in cyber espionage activities carried out, for example, against ISIS,

This we develop or expose on the development of Virtual HUMINT or Cibernético (VHUMINT or CYBERHUMINT, as usually defined in intelligence circles) began in the middle of the last decade, initially through the analysis of online forums, using names own or pseudonyms. Then he proceeded to create false identities in an attempt to disguise the real perpetrators of intelligence activities, and consequently the creation of dedicated to the study and analysis of the profiles to verify their veracity

groups. While these techniques are projected toward the assimilation of information within the network, they have not produced particularly surprising results, also considering the vastness of the instruments available in the virtual world and according to the different psychological approaches that cause the individual to use the Internet and social networks. The substantial difference between traditional and digital HUMINT, lies, as it is easy to perceive, in the activities of the operatives.

HUMINT is mainly composed of direct contacts aimed at creating a climate of trust, interactions with persons belonging to circuits of interest, meetings to develop personal affinities, long-term relationships, monitoring, surveillance, direct control environments, etc. All this allows to develop what in intelligence environments is defined as "management from a long-term perspective", ie, constantly monitoring the reliability of the relationship and the growing level of confidentiality. VHUMINT / CYBERHUMINT is based on relationships that are not necessarily permanent, which have a lower degree of commitment and loyalty, which do not allow levels deep in managing relationships that are not based on a direct human link. Further, They are affected significantly by the numerous anomalies attributable to the peculiarity of anonymity on the network. HUMINT involves people in a physical, intimate and direct contact with language that fosters an emotional connection and closeness, beyond the shared interests. Physical contact, eat and drink together, sharing emotions and situations are exercises that allow you to create a special connection, which contributes to increased motivation in developing the relationship. In CYBERHUMINT, the exchange is based, on the contrary, a strong convergence of interests. beyond the shared interests. Physical contact, eat and drink together, sharing emotions and situations are exercises that allow you to create a special connection, which contributes to increased motivation in developing the relationship. In CYBERHUMINT, the exchange is based, on the contrary, a strong convergence of interests.

If the level of commitment HUMINT is higher, since direct relationship imposes immediate responses and actions that can also seriously jeopardize the management of the relationship in CYBERHUMINT the danger level is considerably reduced due to the

absence of temporary barriers and geographical. The digital world makes possible a virtual contact has only a few minimal similarities to a physical relationship. The advantage of a virtual relationship is structuring an interaction involving minimal risks due to confidentiality and anonymity guaranteed by the Internet. In the world of CYBERHUMINT it is possible to recruit new agents and sources in different ways, and the choice is virtually unlimited. Intelligence agencies can quickly locate, according to the techniques that can be applied to an infinite group of users. It is also possible to carry out an activity of recruitment and management "step by step" (based on a series of specific steps), with relatively low risks and costs almost nil. Links with individuals and groups can be easily and without the dangers of physical contact to activate. But the most innovative aspect of CYBERHUMINT lies in the possibility to achieve without limits of space and time, a difficult target audience to address otherwise. Links with individuals and groups can be easily and without the dangers of physical contact to activate. But the most innovative aspect of CYBERHUMINT lies in the possibility to achieve without limits of space and time, a difficult target audience to address otherwise. Links with individuals and groups can be easily and without the dangers of physical contact to activate. But the most innovative aspect of CYBERHUMINT lies in the possibility to achieve without limits of space and time, a difficult target audience to address otherwise.

The virtual world offers useful tools, for example, to carry out research activities intended to verify the reliability of the agents, in addition to production of questions from the checklist for conducting interrogations recruit. One hypothesis is verifying the reliability of an individual undergoing interrogation, which can be enriched with the analysis of the information shared on social networks used (Facebook, Twitter and Instagram) or other news / activities that can be downloaded from the Web. The problem of anonymous sources, seems to become insignificant when information is for research and understanding of a phenomenon. On the other hand, it is undeniable that information, of any nature or origin, It is essential to combat a threat. However, cyberspace to hide, if not disappear in the ocean of the vast amount of information, disguising their identity through countless nicknames, false profiles or entities, guaranteeing a certain way, communications and identities of agents .

At one point they were given the task of managing messages on paper, luggage, radio equipment and codes to share with fonts, aspects that exposed to incalculable risks and difficult to manage. Today, it is

enough to share a USB memory, email account or a profile on a social network to transmit large amounts of multimedia information protected by encryption algorithms that make the content inaccessible. But if the virtual world has reduced the "face to face" relationship, substantially reducing the risks of direct contact, at the same time has stimulated colossal way that part of the active intelligence which can be transformed, however, a danger in the short or long-term. The uncontrollable increase in false identities, rampant misinformation, indiscriminate monitoring network traffic, the unstoppable spread of malware, continuous violation of user privacy, technology development network connection best known as the Internet of Things (IoT), are just some of the traps generated by the human mind to achieve purposes of various kinds. With CYBERHUMINT can penetrate into cyberspace in search of information about people, situations, geographical and political contexts, inserted in forums, chats, emails, social networks and the web. They are just some of the traps generated by the human mind to achieve purposes of various kinds. With CYBERHUMINT can penetrate into cyberspace in search of information about people, situations, geographical and political contexts, inserted in forums, chats, emails, social networks and the web. They are just some of the traps generated by the human mind to achieve purposes of various kinds. With CYBERHUMINT can penetrate into cyberspace in search of information about people, situations, geographical and political contexts, inserted in forums, chats, emails, social networks and the web.

Cyber agents can perform profitably a wide range of online activities, for example, to recruit new agents or informants, to disseminate information intended to condition public opinion, to create false rumors about a person who discredits / credited publicly (cybernetics) shame. Under the typical peculiarities of the virtual world, cyber presence of double agents, ie, cyber agents that make the double play, steadily increasing. On the Internet, the avatar image is widespread because it can allow you to have an unlimited number of identities that can be spent in different environments and for other purposes. Over the past decade, the intelligence agencies of the United States of America (USA)

activity infiltration of the US and British intelligence in Second Life and Warcraft is known for the presence of terrorists who used virtual environments mentioned to recruit new supporters for Jihad. Indicative is the study and by the year 2008 "3D Cyberspace Spillover: Where Virtual Worlds Get Real" commissioned by the Director of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI), which provides only indications

about the use of intelligence activities in online games. It should be noted that disclosure of the classified study, which took place in 2014 at the request of the Federation of American Scientists under the Freedom of Information Act, as evidenced by one end of Israeli security: SenseCy a leader in the field of intelligence cyber threat bottoming research information through the widespread use of avatars on the web, social networking company and in the forums. By using fake users, analysts Netanya company can draw an impressive amount of information on the planning of attacks from hackers and proselytizing for terrorist purposes. SenseCy addition, some US companies, such as iSight Partners Crowd Strike and who regularly collaborate with the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the National Security Agency (NSA), They rely on the use of spy tactics based avatars to carry out proactive activities aimed at countering cyber attacks. In December 2013, analysts SenseCy, using techniques CYBERHUMINT, intercepted the first cyberattacks in the #OpIsrael code AnonGhost planned by a group of Tunisians hacktivists. In closed forums, AnonGhost has provided its supporters a list of goals and tools to carry out attacks, including a self-developed malware called AnonGhost DdoSer. Technicians Israeli company, thanks to the activities of Cyber Intelligence (CYBINT) used above, could collect and analyze data related to the malware before its release, thereby activating cyber defense measures intended to reject the malware. What they share companies using CYBERHUMINT techniques lies in the growing awareness of the capabilities of firewalls and software protection systems are increasingly resolved. On the contrary, as analysts admit, through the use of intelligence in social media and web intelligence activities, it is possible to design very effective preventive action to counter cyber attacks.

### **closing ideas**

As we have seen throughout this article, added public awareness, we all know that the virtual world, including online social networking, games and dating, is widespread. Internet access worldwide is growing rapidly and people from all over the world are increasingly tied to their phones and computers. Three specific types of virtual environments have grown exponentially are online social networking, dating and gaming sites. These virtual environments have become an essential part of everyday life.

This has also triggered a migration of the physical world to the virtual world. Traditional brick and mortar locations for work, school, appointments, entertainment and socializing are being increased



and, in some cases, replaced by virtual equivalents for each of these activities. This acquisition is limiting virtual face to face interactions and, by default, the opportunity to carry out traditional HUMINT operations. When people "leave" less, they become much more difficult to reach in person. More specifically, it becomes much more difficult to detect and recruit a source in a real cafe or university campus where foot traffic is replaced by the web traffic.

As the use of CYBERHUMINT within the operations of public or public safety, there is much more to go, no doubt there are a number of legal questions to be addressed for that application and would also be interesting to explore its value in the context of the fight against both common crime as organized.

In conclusion, the CYBERHUMINT or VHUMINT seems not only possible, but is likely to play an important role in future intelligence operations. The "Internet of things", which has connected almost everything to include telephones, watches, clothing and cars to the World Wide Web, has become a reality and the Internet access and usage is increasing rapidly worldwide. People are becoming more virtual

time, using the Internet to develop social networking, playing games and establish intimate relationships. This reality is not exclusive to the developed countries, since almost all nations and territories are increasingly connected to the Internet.

Sooner rather than immediately, there will be a place in the world that can not be accessed through these online activities. However, the possibility of using virtual HUMINT is not only to ensure that nations and territories that are of interest are susceptible to online communication.

For at least the last two thousand years to the West and more than five thousand years in the East, HUMINT represented rightly the human side of intelligence gathering, but today, as cyberspace becomes more dominant and people are becoming more virtual time, HUMINT should include an even greater technological component. This similar to a cyborg, combining a human element to technology to virtually recruit sources, approach will allow intelligence agencies to target some of the most remote and dangerous areas of the world without having to leave the safety of the keyboard.

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# ¿Burkina Faso, in the geography of terror?

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Today Burkina Faso, the fourth poorest country in the world and was one of the safest countries in West Africa, the restaurant Turkish food Aziz Istanbul, in the center of Ouagadougou, the capital, which still remains closed with its facade shattered fundamentalist attacks after August 2017 that left 18 dead, perhaps the most exact zip to understand the reality of the country.

From 2016 to early 2019, the African country has suffered nearly 300 attacks by groups linked to al-Qaeda as much as the Daesh, leaving nearly 300 dead. Ouagadougou, was attacked in two more chances, leaving about 90 people in total. The first attack was against the Cappuccino cafe and the Splendid Hotel in January 2016, which left thirty dead and the last took place in March in nearby French Embassy and the General Staff of the Armed Forces, with another 28 deathly victims.

The Burkinabe north began to suffer fundamentalist violence in 2011, Wahhabi groups operating still in northern Mali and southern Algeria, since violence has not ceased to increase and expand and from the north radiates to the border with Nigeria in the east, where Boko Haram operates also seeping Togo, Benin and Ghana. These nations were forced to send troops to their borders Burkinabe, given the instability that could be generated if the Mujahideen could open a corridor from the Sahel to the Gulf of Guinea.

Both in the north and east, the goals of fundamentalists often government offices, military posts, schools and teachers, who are required to dictate classes in Arabic, rather than French, and teach the Koran. These pressures have forced schools to close 1025 in the north and the Sahel, leaving classless about 150 thousand children since March 2018, while 60% of teachers hadThey abandoned the conflict regions.

Although the vast majority of the attacks have not been claimed by any organization, Oumarou Sadou army general, refers to the characteristics of FDI (IEDs) used both north and east and are similar preparation, indicating that would be mounted by the same organization.

The plight of the African country forced its president Roch Kaboré to declare a state of emergency last December 31 to the affected provinces and to change his prime minister, Paul Kaba Thiébal by Christophe Dabiré on 19 January.

The changes implemented by Kaboré, have failed to contain the actions of the Mujahideen of Islam Ansaroul (Defenders of Islam) Takfirists local groupSupported by the Islamic state in the Great Sahara (ISGS) Founded in 2016 by Malam Ibrahim (Arabic Mu'alam: master) Dicko, apparently died of thirst in the desert, in May 2017, in his escape from a French airstrike. The malam was replaced by his younger brother, Jafar, 38, a scholar of the Koran. Ansaroul Islam, emerged from the Malian group Mujao (Movement for Unity and Jihad in West Africa) now under the banner of *Jama'at Nasr al-Islam wal Muslimin*, (Support Front for Islam and Muslims, JNIM), a conglomerate of fundamentalist organizations operating in the Sahel, formed in March 2017, al-Qaeda loyalists. They are making constant attacks in an attempt not only to instill terror, but mainly to steal vehicles and weapons. As Sunday 28 January, where they killed 14 people in the region of Soum, in the north about 30 kilometers from the border with Mali, about 200 militiamen arrived in several motorcycles and 4X4 vehicles attacked with rockets and heavy weapons position Task Force Counter-Terrorism Nassoumbou (GFAT).

Some analysts insist that the increased presence of fundamentalist groups in Burkina Faso, due to the breaking of covenants that these organizations

maintained with government officials of former President Blaise Compaore, who was ousted in 2014 after 27 years of dictatorship, who gave them support in exchange for not were operating in his country.

The pact would have broken in 2013, as Compaore was forced to send one thousand troops, under pressure from France, after the start of the conflict in northern Mali last year. 1200 suspected members of the security services Compaoré, could be operating alongside the mujahedeen, since they were dissolved. The current president Roch Kaboré, still awaiting the promised cooperation by France in northern Mali has about 5,000 men barkhane operation and forces G5 Sahel, an anti-terrorist group composed of 5,000 troops from Mali, Mauritania, Chad, Niger and Burkina Faso, which operates mainly in northern Mali and western Niger.

**On the day I fear the army, at night the jihadists.**

The diversity of organizations working along the Burkinabe border with northern Mali including al-Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb (AQIM), *Islamic state in the Great Sahara* (ISGS) and Ansaroul Islam itself, and *Jama'at Nasr al-Islam wal Muslimin*, with bands of common criminals, drug dealers, cigarettes, fuel and people, it could be increased further generating a dynamic drag, which causes the organizations multiply their numbers.

Some intelligence services operating in West Africa, ISGS fear that keeps fluid contacts with the Wilayat (province of the Caliphate) of the Islamic State of West Africa (iSwap) Borno State in northeastern Nigeria, the organization spun off from Boko Haram, in August 2016, to create a new alliance to jointly develop their struggle both in the Sahel and in West African countries, for which Burkina Faso, it would be a key tab in the new framework.

So the authorities Ouagadougou, are requiring the Western powers present in Mali, and especially

France, basically I support training, intelligence, communications equipment and weapons.

As often happens in these "counter-insurgency" wars accurately reproduce the violation of human rights against civilian populations in rural areas often far from urban, cut off and isolated centers. According to reports by Human Rights Watch (HRW), Forces Burkinabe security have carried out enforced disappearances, torture and extrajudicial executions in counterinsurgency operations between 2017 and 2018. HRW in its report entitled "On the day, we are afraid of the army and at night the jihadists" at least eighteen detailing extrajudicial killings by security forces of innocent civilians.

The forces of Operation Panga (force in Moreh, the native language spoken in Burkina) launched by the government of Kaboré against suspected terrorist bases in the forests of Pama and Gayeri, with air strikes and sending 700 soldiers, including troops 25th Regiment of Bobo-Dioulasso parachute, without the result of attacks and number of victims is unknown, so the HRW, many civilians suspected to be involved in the actions.

The violence has already caused 80 thousand internally displaced persons, while nearly one million 200 thousand people are in need of immediate humanitarian aid since the year started almost a thousand families have had to leave their places per day. Which in turn it is causing an increase in ethnic or tribal clashes. In Yirgou, Barsalogo province, north of the country apparently a fundamentalist attack sparked a scuffle between the Fulani community, predominantly Muslim nomadic herders and Mossi community, the largest ethnic group in Burkina Faso that left 50 dead.

Burkina Faso, has entered deep into the geography of terror and that territory will not many more deaths and poverty.

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# *Legitimacy, non-intervention and interference: The Case of Venezuela*

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## **SUMMARY:**

The aim of this paper is to analyze the current situation in Venezuela from the point of view of the main criteria of international law. All this to try to shed light enough to conflict, so that allows us to discover the truth and analyzing all the circumstances affecting the contestants, we can position ourselves morally before the conflict.

## **Legitimacy of Origin and legitimacy of exercise.**

Following St. Thomas Aquinas, we say that the legitimacy of origin of a leader comes from his election as virtue and seeking the common good, with the participation of all the people (assembly of the crowd assembled in accordance with the law and with a view to the common good), choosing and voting according to the natural moral and the voting system established by law. In this case we have a Liberal or *partitocrática*, eligible Democracy through universal suffrage system (suitable only for the wise and virtuous nations that morality is the basis, according to the Holy).

Legitimacy of exercise is to act to govern and to vote according to objective standards of morality, knowable with our natural reason, which is fallible, but that the Church teaches with infallible authority and provides the means to act accordingly, so the legitimacy of exercise is founded on reverence God and seek the common good, and little or nothing to do with popularity, but with greater or lesser ability of a candidate become president to respect the rules, laws, the Constitution, democratic ways. Legitimacy performance has to do with earning the respect and admiration of the citizens. And respect is only achieved compliance.

Of the two legitimacies, most importantly the legitimacy of performance, ie the fulfillment of the wise and virtuous law providing an honest service to the common good of citizens. So, you can have what is known as "legitimacy of origin", and yet *deslegitimarse* in the passing of Governance. It is not legitimate who boasts exposed certain levels of popularity in polls and rallies, but who in turn works with legitimacy.

So, according to these definitions, Does the current government of Nicolas Maduro legitimacy of origin? And exercise?

The legitimacy of origin must be said that, according to the Parliament and major international bodies, major fraud election of 2017 are as follows<sup>1</sup>:

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<sup>1</sup>Maduro and the crisis in Venezuela: why many question the elections in which he was re-elected as president. (Online) (See: 14/02/19) Available in: <https://www.bbc.com/mundo/noticias-america-latina-47117239>

1. The imposition of the rules of the call (the opposition wanted to get assurances that the elections would be held under fair and considered that, to get them, they should not be called before June. The ruling, however, wanted to run on April at the latest. In the end, the government, to avoid being further affected by a supply crisis and hyperinflation were not going to improve, set the vote for May unilaterally breaking the negotiations. In response, most opposition forces gathered in the Bureau of Democratic Unity Coalition (MUD) decided not to participate.
2. The main opposition leaders were disqualified (in prison or in exile).
3. The impartiality of the National Electoral Council (body responsible for electoral processes), was also controversial, since, according to the Venezuelan Constitution, must be independent and consist of five people "not linked to political organizations" and chosen by the National Assembly with a two-thirds majority. However, the result is that the five guiding principles that make up the current CNE have been elected by the judiciary (designated as pro-government) rather than the legislature, which in practice is out of this competition. In addition, major opposition parties were disqualified by not renewing its validation before the CNE, as they felt it was unnecessary to go through a process that had done one year earlier.
4. The lack of independent international observation missions in all phases of the process, technical audits and Venezuelans abroad could vote.

However, to be serious and questionable legitimacy of origin, is worse scenario in terms of the legitimacy of exercise, because although Maduro accused the blockade and US actions as responsible for the economic crisis in Venezuela (which obviously also influences the final result), the ultimate responsibility rests with him and the policies of his government, also other countries throughout history have suffered similar boycotts and managed to maintain a adequate standard of living for its population. The current situation in Venezuela (shortages of basic subsistence goods - food and medicine - triggered inflation, millions of migrants, etc ...) certify that Maduro's government has not been able to manage the common good, which it deslegitima in practice.

If this is so, and accept that Maduro has not managed or sought the common good, but own good, according to St. Thomas then receive the name of Tirano, which has serious moral implications and practices the following items to be analyzed.

#### **sedition<sup>2</sup>.**

According to St. Thomas, in his Summa Theologica, seditions are tumults involving preparation for body fight take place when men are prepared to contest and seek. Therefore, since sedition is opposed to a special good, namely, unity and peace of the crowd, and opposes justice and the common good is, by nature, mortal sin.

So, we should conduct Juan Guaidó and the rest of the opposition would not be morally licit, however, as specified by the saint can not be called seditious those who defend the common good resisting, as also called wranglers who they defend themselves, since, being a Tyrant Maduro, and since the tyrannical regime is not fair because it is not directed to the common good, but to the private good of those who hold power. Hence the disturbance of that regime does not constitute sedition, (unless in the case of the regime of the tyrant being altered in such a way that the tyrannized disorderly crowd suffer greater detriment than the tyrannical regime). Seditious is rather the tyrant, which encourages discord and commotions in the people that are submitted to it, in order to master more safely.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, and recalling that the third condition for a just war is "intended to be straight contenders; ie, an intention aimed at promoting good or avoid evil. "(Since it may happen that, being legitimate authority who declares war and just the cause it is, however, illegal for misconduct. In Indeed, the desire to harm, the cruelty of revenge, the inaplacado and unforgiving mood, ferocity in the fight, passion to dominate, and the like, are, in righteousness, blameworthy in wars), much of countries and numerous people wonder how is straight intend US Guaidó and allied countries, and how far geostrategic affect decisions such as eliminating a leftist regime in "their" America or "dry" one of the sources of trade and raw power of their antagonists Russian and Chinese subjects. That is, are they using or have made the US to Guaidó as a champion of a new "springtime of peoples" as an excuse for military intervention humanitarian put in power someone akin to Washington's plans?

It is clear that all these intentions and interests are intermingled making it difficult to clearly determine the "right intention", however, all that is claimed to Maduro mainly is the call for new democratic elections with guarantees, which in principle should not be a big problem to accept.

#### **Principle of nonintervention and duty to intervene<sup>3</sup>.**

Both the Charter of the United Nations (UN), the Organization of American States (OAS) as Pope John Paul II, have made clear two basic concepts of modern international law:

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2AQUINAS, T. Summa: II-II second section second part. (Online) (See: 14/02/19) Available in: <http://es.catholic.net/op/articulos/20704/cat/521/la-sedicion.html#modal>

3ORTIZ DE ROZAS, C. "No intervention or duty to intervene." National Academy of Moral and Political Sciences. ISSN: 0325-4763, 22/10/2008.

1. On one side the principle of nonintervention: "Nothing in the present Charter shall authorize the United Nations to intervene in matters which are essentially within the domestic jurisdiction of any state or shall require to submit such matters to settlement under the present letter "and" All States should also refrain from organizing, supporting, encouraging, finance, incite or tolerate subversive armed activities or terrorists aimed at the violent overthrow the regime of another State, or interfere in civil strife in another State".
2. Notwithstanding the foregoing, there is a "right accorded to human society to intervene in the event of a tyrant who submit to its citizens in a manner that no one is allowed to do", ie, non-intervention can not be an absolute protection States, the principle of non-interference in the fundamental national jurisdiction of States can not be regarded as a protective barrier behind which can violate human rights with impunity in massive or systematic basis. The Charter, as we have seen proclaims this principle can also be invoked to justify interventions in exceptional cases, provided that they are duly authorized by the Security Council under the terms of Chapter VII.

In summary, the passive right to ingest is passed to the active moral obligation to ingest, which may even involve the use of force.

Coercive means of dispute resolution, apart from the war, are divided into two main categories: retaliation (armed or peaceful) and retaliation (see Table 1).

	<i>RETORSIONES</i>	<i>REPRESALIAS</i>
<b>pacíficas</b>		
(o medidas cercanas a la fuerza)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- expulsión de ciudadanos extranjeros</li> <li>- imposición de derechos aduaneros especiales</li> <li>- exclusión de barcos extranjeros</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- confiscación, embargo de navíos</li> <li>- boicot</li> <li>- bloqueo de fondos</li> <li>- detención, expulsión de extranjeros</li> <li>- embargo (general o parcial)</li> <li>- embargo (según el Derecho de Guerra y Neutralidad)</li> </ul>
<b>armadas</b>		
(o medidas de fuerza)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- bloqueo pacífico</li> <li>- bombardeo naval, aéreo</li> <li>- intervención armada (por protección de nacionales, como represalia, por asuntos humanitarios)</li> </ul>

Table 1: coercive means.

An act of retaliation is legal and does not involve the use of armed force. It is a retaliation by harmful but lawful acts against another State.

An act of retaliation is illegal in itself, but is made validly and exceptionally in response to an unlawful act of another State. To be in accordance with the general theory of retaliation and valid under international law, retaliation should run after failing a demand for repair and be proportionate to the damage suffered.

In the post-Cold War world still remains a very complex situation, where they live at least four categories of States:

1. Those who respect absolutely and completely the principle of nonintervention;
2. Those whose rulers are not very strict limits to abide by that principle imposes certain infringements and are permitted as usual;
3. Those who respect the principle but by a moral imperative against outrageous violations of human rights are willing to join others who share the same feelings to end such situations, as long as the United Nations Security Council grant them a clear mandate to use force because, in general, such violations occur as a result of bloody civilians and only that body struggles corresponds to impute responsibility.
4. Finally, there are those who thanks to their political power and manifest military superiority have the ability to unilaterally intervene to come to the aid of people whose rights are supposedly being run over but that the absence of a legitimate authority, may raise suspicions about their true intentions.

Within this latter classification we could find US and its armed wing of NATO, with its unilateral action in the Kosovo conflict as a negative history of its ability and determination to deliver military strikes without UN authorization. That is why Maduro surely has activated its national defense plans related arming the people to their ideas and taking greater measures of militarization of the situation each time.

We return here to insist on the need for "right intention" of using force, because, "if not the strict conditions which authorize the use of force as a last resort the minimum basis of coexistence are violated within the system respect international: thus it travels shamelessly the 'rule of law', which protects us from the arbitrariness, the 'law of the empire', the 'pecking order, devoid of any assurance and control ".

That is, the ambiguity of the notion of duty of interference can be an excuse for the pretext of humanitarian purposes, strictly pursuing obtaining real national interests, such as those already mentioned. Hence it is imperative that humanitarian intervention is willing, always, by the United Nations on behalf of the international community. But before resorting to force should be exhausted diplomatic efforts or other procedures such as economic and political sanctions (see Table 1). *In theory, at least, it would be advisable that the authority granted to ingest it was not only a group of States but also be vested with a clear mandate and under supervision.*

For its part, the four characteristics of moral legitimacy that must meet a "just war" are set in section 2309 of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, the third of them "that serious prospects of success together." This, perhaps, is the main reason that EE.UU./OTAN still have not intervened militarily, as the government of Nicolas Maduro, duly advised, has implemented a national defense "to the Vietnamese", relying on the strength support the army with weaponry related sectors of the government which population, favored by special orographic areas (forest, etc ..) and urban areas pose a war of attrition / asymmetrical would negate the main advantages of a better equipped army and trained, probably raising the death toll to prohibitive levels for a society like the US. And maybe that's why, other than as a logistics platform in South America, is that the US They have enlisted NATO to a South American country bordering Venezuela and Colombia: for all the casualties or the bulk of them are not young WASP, but also and especially Hispanic-Catholic mestizos (the use of black people as well as Irish Catholics forcibly recruited or lies, and used as shock troops, and was widely used by the nordista side in the Civil War USA).

In short, the undeniable situation of humanitarian crisis in the Venezuelan population, as well as the character of tyrant of current President Nicolas Maduro become morally acceptable resistance and opposition demands also led by President Juan Guaidó. However, the profound geostrategic implications of the zone into question the "right intention" of a possible military intervention. The best solution seems to be resorting to the UN (although as mentioned in another article, is an organism which also needs a thorough restructuring to end the differences between countries with veto power - the winners of the 2nd World War - and not ) for, under its resolutions,

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# Risks Immigration

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## Introduction

Immigration would be the entry into a country of citizens who were born or come from elsewhere, instinctive natural process where interested execute an evaluation and comparison of the region where one lives, considering job opportunities, education, health, housing, etc. and a different environment, where there is a perception that the chances of having a better quality of life can be bigger and better.

A refugee (according to Article 1A of the Convention 28JUL 1951 Status of Refugees of United Nations) Is a person who is outside the country where it originated or habitual residence because of a well-founded fear of persecution for reasons of race, religion, nationality, membership in a social group or political opinion, and can not or does not claim the protection of his country to return.

The displaced would be the person who had to flee their homes because of conflict or persecution and who have not crossed the border into his country.

The following article aims to explain the risks to the companies, the admission of immigrants and refugees, without adequate control measures, filter, planning and prevention among many other factors. Also, the application of a methodology for responsible work, never criminalize or despise migrants from nations, institutions or individuals, would bring about greater protection for well-intentioned refugees, not to feel frustrated in their new home and what it is worse, not subject to organized crime.

## II.- UN Global Compact for Migration

**TO.-**Criticism of immigration will become a crime and media that allow for review may be closed. USA, Austria, Hungary, Poland, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Dominican Republic, Estonia, Israel and Australia have refused to sign the pact

**one)** *"Target 17: Eliminate all forms of discrimination and promote a public discourse with empirical basis for changing perceptions of migration"*



**We are committed to eliminating all forms of discrimination and to condemn and combat expressions, acts and manifestations of racism, racial discrimination, violence, xenophobia and related intolerance against all migrants in accordance with international human rights law .**

... We further commit ourselves to promote, in cooperation with all sectors of society, an open public discourse and empirical basis on migration and migrants generate a more realistic and constructive human perception in this regard. We are also committed to protecting freedom of expression in accordance with international law, recognizing that the open and free discussion contributes to the understanding of all aspects of migration. To fulfill this commitment, we will resort to the following:

**a)** Enact, implement or maintain laws that criminalize crimes motivated by prejudice and hate crimes aggravated against migrants, and train law enforcement officers and other public officials to detect and prevent these crimes and respond to them, and other acts of violence directed against migrants, and to provide medical, legal and psychosocial assistance to victims;

**b)** Empower migrants and communities to denounce any act of inciting violence against informing migrants of the recourse mechanisms available, and ensure that those who actively participate in the commission of a motivated by prejudice against migrants crime accountable their actions in accordance with national legislation, but while respecting the international human rights law, including the right to freedom of expression;

**c)** Promote an independent, objective and quality journalism in the media, including information on the Internet, for example, raising awareness and educating professionals in the media on issues and terminology related to migration, investing in standards and advertising on the ethics of journalism, and failing to allocate public funds or material support to the media that systematically promote intolerance, xenophobia, racism and other forms of discrimination against migrants, while fully respecting the freedom of the media communication;

**d)** Establish mechanisms to prevent and detect the use of racial, ethnic and religious profiling of migrants by public authorities and systematic cases of intolerance, xenophobia, racism and all other multiple and intersectional forms of discrimination, and respond to them in collaboration with national human rights institutions, including conducting and publishing trend analysis, and ensuring access to effective complaint mechanisms and resources;

**and)** Provide migrants, especially women, access to national and regional complaint mechanisms and resources to promote accountability and to address government actions related to acts and manifestations of discrimination against migrants and their families;

**F)** Promote awareness campaigns with empirical and factual basis aimed at communities of origin, transit and destination to influence public perception of the positive contributions that result from the safe, orderly and legal migration, and to end racism, xenophobia and stigmatization against all migrants;

**g)** Engaging migrants and political, religious and community leaders and educators and service providers to detect and prevent incidents of intolerance, racism, xenophobia and other forms of discrimination against migrants and diasporas, and support the implementation of activities in local communities to promote mutual respect, even in the context of election campaigns.

### **III.- Risks for migrants and countries**

In NOV2018 there was a massive migration of Hondurans to the US, organized in large groups to protect themselves from repression, Organized Crime and violence of the route.

In the Mediterranean humanitarian disasters occur regularly for the sinking of the barge, resulting in dead or missing. Many immigrants were protagonists of terrorist acts in the form of "lone wolves" criminal acts and other criminal actions, product of what they have labeled the "European social experiment."

As a model line action stands to Ecuador and Colombia, which in 2018 implemented a joint immigration system to facilitate the identification of citizens that are required for justice in any of the two countries and bearing the name "Bilateral consultation platform Migratory Alert ".

In Uruguay since 2017 the Security Committee was established for the Border Crossings, expanding controls people starting procedures for travel to Uruguay, weaving nets against human trafficking in the border strip and the risk of arrival terrorists and criminals to the region, without diminishing the influx of immigrants, on the contrary, the arrival would increase.

Since 2018 Interpol investigate the trafficking network that brings thousands of Cubans to Uruguay without passing through immigration. Leave Cuba for Guyana and Brazil to enter traverse across borders Uruguay Chuy or Rivera. The migrants paid between 3,000 and 4,000 dollars on the trip and once arrived in Uruguay asked to be granted refugee status, for which they need then leave border and enter legally.

In Latin America it would be very easy to obtain citizenship by foreigners, to the point that has been detected numerous cases of people suspected of integrating organized crime and terrorism support networks, which have identity cards of up to 2 and 3 countries and he has residence in another country, hindering the investigation of the security agencies.

In JUL2018 a new smuggling route between Africa and Brazil by the Atlantic Ocean is discovered. Catamaran with 27 people arrived at the shores of the State of Maranhao in São José de Ribamar, near São Luis, capital of

the state. initial destination was another, João Pessoa, a little further south. There, the coyotes had contacts immigrants to move to São Paulo and Rio de Janeiro target end of the trip. Traffickers charged between 800 and 1,000 euros per person to take them to Brazil, were lost at sea and did not want to call the Navy to ask for help for fear of being arrested. 25 Senegalese obtained temporary residence for two years while their refugee claim is pending. The two coyotes Brazilians are imprisoned for illegal trafficking.

In Latin America, many immigrants are frustrated in their new country of residence, not fulfilled their expectations, thickening cords urban poverty.

The 28ENE2019 appear in the Gulf of Uraba (Colombia, Caribbean Sea) 16 bodies of African immigrants (Congo) after a shipwreck. 30 undocumented immigrants admitted from Ecuador to Colombia; They tried to reach the coast of Panama with final destination USA. Notably they departed from the Province of Chocó (Colombia) where 95% of the race is color, therefore turn to that place, to believe that come from Colombia.

Other immigrants from the Caribbean, had to testify in court because of the high amount of cash they had in their power, to see where it came from. They have also been detected cases of double identities and passports apocryphal.

Application cases refugees who conceal their true intentions may exist; can these to spy, spread of ideologies or religious beliefs, develop business ventures to support extremist groups, expand Central American gangs, infiltrating terrorists to launder money derived from illegal activities.

As an example, 10DIC2018: Colombia expelled Yahya Ahmed Burhan Syala (51, Iraqi, lived a year in Melgar, Tolima) for links with terrorists of the Islamic State. Islamic State supplying information to obtain false identities Colombian. He kept affair with a woman from a political family, pretending to be a rich Arab trader. In 2017 Yahya Syala began contacting Colombian women through Facebook, after studying about 4,000 profiles. Foreign intelligence officers established migratory movements to Syria, Arab, Malaysia, Iran, Turkey, China and Sudan Emirates. He was carrying out reconnaissance of land and provision of information for documentation Colombian terrorists, not formal channels. In addition, it was identifying porous borders to enter other countries

According to the Austrian magazine Direkt, Abwehramt (Abwa), the Austrian Military Secret Service, revealed that an intelligence service, through NGOs paid to mafia groups for carrying thousands of immigrants to Europe.

In 2017, 20,000 sub-Saharan African migrants tried to reach the Mediterranean coast in the hope of a better life in Europe were captured by criminals and taken to detention centers bands, to be sold as slaves.

A chapter particular attention needs children returnees "Caliphate, especially to Europe. Thousands of radicals who left the old continent in search of the dream of most fanatical Islam, fled to their countries of origin.

Most of the returnees are women and children, standing out 3 types of returnees under:

1. Born in the EU (European Union), who have traveled to Syria and Iraq and returned to the European country.

2. Those who were born during the conflict.

3. Born in the EU but were conceived on the ground.

Each type requires a different focus. Newborns suffer nutritional problems or lack of vaccination.

#### **IV.- Conclusions**

Clandestine trips African refugees to Europe are organized by mafias North Africa who maintain contacts with extremists, including the Islamic State.

Hundreds of terrorists, would have infiltrated Europe, with Syrian immigrants, among others, with the help of local smugglers because asylum policy in Europe, which will form terrorist cells to act, not ruling out a lesser extent Latin America

In Europe, following the racist attacks on refugees, they could be xenophobic terrorist cells.

UN, despite the risks and threats that brings about "the policy of open borders to immigrants" fleeing poverty and wars in their home countries, calls for countries facing the crisis of illegal immigration , to expand legal channels for entry of refugees and show attitudes of "humanity and compassion."

The exodus of thousands of desperate people across oceans and continents in dilapidated, unsafe and primitive boats to the global security crisis, caused in nations that did not execute planning, involvement of their budgets and social cohesion of local communities.

The refugee crisis would be used by several structures to disseminate information concerned with various purposes.

Criminal organizations that profit from the exploitation of persons and smuggling of migrants, often act in collusion with border guards.

Many refugees from the Middle East are in transit through Latin America, with the ultimate goal to join the European community. There would be a common policy on political economic blocs, for the deportation of refugees who commit acts of bloodshed and serious crimes

Trafficking in persons, which victims are mostly young women and adolescents, is a form of slavery that often remains hidden in the global phenomenon of migration

Immigrants in North Africa suffer: torture, kidnapping, extortion, slavery, forced labor, forced prostitution, mental disorder, Ulysses syndrome, depression, panic, anxiety, illness and loneliness.

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# *Kashmir, playing the gates of hell*

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Always hot India border - Pakistan has returned to its maximum voltage from the attack of 14 February, a suicide Mujahideen, the Jaish-e-Mohammed group (JEM) (Army of Mohammed), launched a vehicle laden with explosives against a military bus, killing fifty security guards in the Kashmiri region of Pulwama.

After the attack, the Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi, threatened to "an adequate response", shortly after the general elections in May, in which Modi is going for a second term, neo-fascist, he could not sit idly by and warned that He had given "full freedom" to the armed forces to decide the timing and nature of the "Adequate" from his answer.

Last Tuesday 26 February, 12 Mirage 2000 Indians crossed the LoC at 3:30 am and launched a thousand kilos of bombs a JEM training camp, near the town of Balakot, in Pakistan's Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa province, about 10 kilometers from the Indian border. This is the first action that reaches such a level of conflict from the Indo-Pakistani War of 1971. The Pakistani Prime Minister Imran Khan condemned the attack and said it would respond "at the time and place of their choice."

India has already denounced on many occasions that Pakistan gives shelter to different extremist groups operating on the border and have carried out countless attacks in Indian Kashmir. It is believed, with enough certainty, these bands are encouraged and financed by the Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI) Pakistani agency that many times seems to move independent of both the civil authorities in Islamabad, and their natural controls the army.

According to Indian sources, the air strike destroyed the camp reaching kill "a large number" of Mujahideen, including some of his commanders, without causing harm to civilians. The sources said the bombing would have occurred before the imminence of a new militant attack JEM, which would have detected the Indian intelligence.

While exchanges of artillery and small arms on the Line of Control (LoC), the hottest spot of the border, are very frequent forays no areas were recorded, at least publicly recognized since the 1971 war.

Terrorist activity, had not stopped after the attack in Pulwama, 18 Monday in a new attack by the separatists, they killed a commander of the Indian Army and at least three other soldiers.

Meanwhile sources of Islamabad, with respect to Indian shelling on Tuesday, denied the effectiveness of the attack, claiming that Pakistani ships had managed to put to flight the Mirages Indians and had only thrown four to five bombs in wild areas during their flight. Despite these negative Pakistani authorities they surrounded the area and were not even allowed into local police.

Both New Delhi and Islamabad, accused each other of attacking villages and army posts near the Line of Control (LoC), the hottest spot of the Kashmiri border. A Pakistani military spokesman said six civilians were killed when struck by enemy fire, while from the Indian command reported that they were attacked villages Kamalkote and Kalgo of its territory, but no fatalities occurred.

At dawn on Tuesday the Pakistani army, breaking the ceasefire had begun to grapple with high caliber weapons, including 120mm mortars in different sectors of LoC and even throughout the day on Wednesday downed fighter Pakistan *MiG 21 Bison* Indians overflying its territory. One pilot was taken prisoner by a group of civilians and shown later on television and networks. With his bloodied face harassment because of the mob. New Delhi has legitimized that information revealing the pilot's name: Abhinandan Varthaman.

India meanwhile shot down an F-16 fighter which violated Pakistani airspace. Several ships were Islamabad who violated Indian airspace in the regions of Punch and Nowshera in Jammu and Kashmir, carrying out at least two attacks.

After these last forty-eight hours of vertigo two countries are getting ready to clear prewar movements. Large number of troops from both countries have reached the border in the last forty-eight hours, while all commercial airports in Pakistan have been closed, while India closed the eight largest in the country, including the three major cities Kashmir: Jammu, Srinagar and Amritsar. All commercial airlines operating from East Asia to Europe, have had to modify their routes and even suspend numerous flights, leaving a lot of Western travelers stranded in the Philippines, Malaysia, Singapore, Cambodia and Vietnam.

New Delhi, ordered the construction of 14 thousand bunkers for the civilian population living along its border with Pakistan in Jammu and Kashmir state, to avoid mass evacuations. These shelters were already planned before this new escalation New Delhi so thoroughly boosted construction.

Health services have had to cancel franks and holidays and lots of medical supplies are being stockpiled in various area hospitals. Authorities have ordered the temporary closure of schools within 5 kilometers along the LoC in Rajouri districts of Poonch and 27 from Wednesday.

Indian authorities have detained Kashmiri separatist three hundred in the state of Jammu and

Kashmir, which were organized to star riots in different parts of the border.

#### **An election campaign.**

The rising tide of violence in Kashmir, has exacerbated nationalist pretensions on both sides of the LoC. 2018, had become the year of highest number of violations of the ceasefire, but apparently the attack of 14 February would have filled the warmongering patience Party Modi, who sees a great opportunity in this conflict prevail in elections May, the latest polls record that since the attack against the military bus, Modi would have increased the intention to vote.

Khan's first minister, who convened an urgent meeting his generals condemned the "irresponsible Indian politics" and accused Modi of having provoked the conflict for electoral reasons.

In September 2016 attack against the base of the Indian Army in Uri in the Kashmir valley was the deadliest until the last day fourteen, leaving 19 Indian soldiers killed in a joint operation between Lashkar-e-Taiba (Army of the Pure) protagonists of the attacks in Bombay in 2008 and *Jaish-e-Mohammad*. Delhi chased the attackers with a series of "surgical strikes", entering Pakistani territory with a small supply of elite commandos, by several points along LoC, which destroyed some camps advanced fundamentalists.

The latest escalation of major proportions was between May and July 1999, in what is known as the War of the Himalaya or Kargil, limited to the great peaks of the Himalayas in Kashmir clash when irregular Pakistani occupied the district of Kargil, controlled by India. The campaign lasted 74 days, at a cost to thousand casualties apiece. The clash ended with the loss by India's control of the heights around Kargil, controlling the rich waters of the snowmelt. This conflict was the first between the two nations after both had reached the status of nuclear power nation.

All world powers: China, Russia, the United States and Iran as regional and neighboring power to Pakistan, are following very carefully the further escalation of this old conflict, which intensified, could leave the whole of humanity playing gates hell.

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## Philippines

### Joint Special Operations Command



The Armed Forces of the Philippines, was founded on December 21, 1935. They are among the oldest military forces in Southeast Asia. Once a model for Asia, feared and envied by its neighbors particularly during 1950 and 1960, the continent has seen since surpassed by other armed forces in the region, having become today one of the weakest due to lack of funds, lack of renewal of its equipment and the great politicization that have suffered. Amid strong growth of tensions with the People's Republic of China because of the dispute over the Scarborough Shoal, claimed by both countries, which already had a confrontation low intensity in 2012, the president at that time Benigno Aquino Jr . it announced the allocation of 25 billion Philippine pesos (approximately US \$ 522 million) to strengthen the armed forces in 2016.

In mid-2017, President Duterte sent Filipino marines to the island Thitu Island, one of the islands that make up the municipality of archipiélado Kalayaan (Archipelago Freedom in Spanish) under Philippine administration, but are part of the territorial dispute known as the islands Spratly among several countries, including the People's Republic of China. He was also ordered to hoist the national flag in a dozen islands and erecting military installations relying on the judgment of the International Court of The Hague of 2013. This created a strong rejection of the Chinese authorities.

The Joint Special Operations Command of the Armed Forces Philippines, is responsible for the planning, implementation and support of special operations. Although the current AFPSOCOM was established in April 2018 based on the Special Operations Command of the Philippine Army and the Group of Joint Special Operations of the Armed Forces of the Philippines, dates back to the Brigade Special Warfare Philippine Army (ASWABde ), established on 16 January 1978.



The AFPSOCOM has its roots in the Special Warfare Brigade Philippine Army (ASWABde) which was organized in January 1978. The ASWABde was a first attempt to control the specialties of the Special Forces and Scout, two units of the army that among the most prominent. highly trained in the Armed Forces of the Philippines personnel structure their collective efforts in a highly effective army unit. It dissolved in 1986, it was reactivated as PASOCOM in 1995. It is based in Fort Magsaysay, Nueva Ecija since its reactivation. It expanded in 2003 to accommodate the Light Reaction Regiment.

The current AFPSOCOM, which was elevated to a combat command of the armed forces in April 2018, also includes units of the now disbanded Group Joint Special Operations of the Armed Forces of the Philippines, it began in August 2003 and included not only the LRR but also the SOG Naval at 710<sup>o</sup> Special Operations Wing, and the firing AFP JSOG K-9.

**The current AFP Socom is organized as follows:**

- **Scout Ranger Regiment:** Regimental mission is to organize, train, equip and provide rapid deployment forces and conduct special operations in support of the mission of SOCOM. The unit was inspired by two groups of legendary fight, the American Alamo Scouts and Ranger US Army. The main capabilities of the regiment are: direct action, jungle warfare, special reconnaissance and sniper operations against hostile positions.
- Special Forces Regiment (Airborne) Regiment's mission is to organize, train, equip and provide forces quick deployment able to carry out an unconventional war in all kinds of operational environment in

support of the mission of SOCOM. Special Forces specialize in the following: unconventional warfare, direct action; recognition, special psychological warfare and mass base operations.



- Light Regiment reaction: is the principal anti-terrorist unit of the Philippine Army and Special Mission Unit Philippines. Previously it was known as the Light Reaction Battalion. Because of its expertise in operations to combat terrorism and training with US advisers, Light Reaction Regiment has been called sometimes the Delta Force of the Philippines.
- Group of Naval Special Operations: Group of Naval Special Operations (NAVSOG) or Special Warfare Group (SWAG) is a unit of the Philippine Navy trained in unconventional special operations, sabotage, psychological warfare and is heavily influenced by SEALs United States Navy.
- Marine Special Operations Group - The Marine Special Operations Group of the Philippine Marine Corps has similarities between the NAVSOG. Also they trained in the same capacities, although their actual capabilities are not well known.
- Special Operations Wing SPOW 710. The 710 is the special operations unit of the Philippine Air Force that deals with hostage rescue and counter-terrorism operations.





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