Weekly Update by Mark Armstrong - January 27, 2023

Greetings from Tyler,

Last night an ambush video was aired showing an alleged Pfizer executive boasting that variants were being created with a vaccine ready to go, or words to that effect. That's before he realized that he'd been recorded and went full blown loony tunes. Surely the company will fire the guy and say they barely knew him. But he did have an impressive title. If he wasn't talking through his hat, gain of function research is on the table, which doesn't look right for the company selling vaccines. He called the ploy "directed evolution." That's before he called the police and then started rushing people. We may see a lot of this before it's over. *Newsweek* has already published a "fact check" attempting to discredit the whole episode. Pfizer has yet to comment.

We found out this week that the United States is sending Abrams battle tanks to Ukraine. Purely a defensive measure mind you. It's been explained that the U. S. had to send a battalion of tanks so Germany could in turn send twice as many Leopard tanks. Is that how diplomacy works? The argument is that Putin is on the ropes, and if he doesn't win in Ukraine something will happen internally to take him down. Apparently there isn't any anti-war movement in Russia. Putin's successors might be even more aggressive. His popularity doesn't seem to be suffering, assuming you believe the polls. But the tanks. That seems to be ratcheting up our involvement in something that could turn ugly, as if it's not ugly enough.

The whole thing seems an exercise in playing chicken with W. W. III. But nobody asked us. Did they ask somebody? Somebody's going to have to tell me what the pretender said, because trying to decipher words and meanings has become impossible. Who's making these decisions, and are they the right ones? The guys standing in the backdrop in uniforms and medals don't inspire a lot of confidence either.

Where does this end up? Or does it? There are some things yet to happen. If the Davos crowd gets it's way it would all happen at once. It looks like they want to

have the power over what people think, publicly at least. Nobody would dare question global warming without severe punishment. Or for that matter entertain any of the "conspiracy theories," especially those that turn out to be true. If the media is any gauge, we must all believe the same things and speak with the same voice. They've gone to great lengths already, but some of us aren't buying in.

It's not like the public doesn't already know too much, on a whole range of subjects. But the mainstream keeps banging on like the public agrees with their conventional wisdom. Polls are conducted and released to banish any question about what the public believes. We've got "analysts" that come on television to tell us what we believe. It's enough to make you talk back.

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