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## MoA - Navalny Was Not Poisoned

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On Thursday morning the Russian rightwing and racist rabble rouser Alexey Navalny fell ill during a flight from Tomsk in Siberia to Moscow. He eventually went into a coma. The plane had to be rerouted for an emergency stop in Omsk. Navalny was brought into a clinic and put on a ventilator.

Meanwhile his spokeswomen Kira Yarmysh claimed, without evidence, that Navalny had been poisoned:

Yarmysh believes Navalny, who showed no symptoms prior to the flight, was "poisoned with something mixed into his tea" as it was "the only thing he drank this morning." In the middle of the journey, she wrote later, he began sweating, went to the toilet, and apparently lost consciousness for a period. RIA Novosti reported that Navalny did not eat or drink anything on the flight.

The doctors in the intensive care unit in Omsk had difficulties to stabilize Navalny. A number of tests were made but no poisons were found. Yesterday evening the patient had stabilized. On request of his family he was transported to Germany where he is currently undergoing treatment.

The hospital in Omsk said that Navalny had experienced severe hypoglycemia:

The head physician of the Omsk emergency hospital, Alexander Murakhovsky, said that Alexei Navalny's condition was caused by a sharp drop in blood sugar.

Hypoglycemia is also known as diabetic shock:

When a person experiences diabetic shock, or severe hypoglycemia, they may lose consciousness, have trouble speaking, and experience double vision. Early treatment is essential because blood sugar levels that stay low for too long can lead to seizures or diabetic coma.

Hypoglycemia can sometimes happen rapidly and may even occur when a person follows their diabetes treatment plan.

A diabetic shock happens when someone with diabetes has taken too much insulin or has eaten too little. My father had diabetes and I have seen him experiencing this problem several times. He always carried a piece of sugar with him to use it as soon as he felt the first symptoms. My mother taught me the basic first aid I would have to apply should my father be unable to help himself. Thankfully I never had to use it.

It is important that the measures are taken immediately. A prolonged coma can lead to brain damage. As Navalny was on a plane up in the air it took quite a while to get him into a hospital. His prolonged coma may have created additional damage to his body.

People with diabetes usually learn how to control their blood sugar level. I have found no information that Navalny actually has diabetes but that does not say much as it is not something people usually talk about. I am not aware of any medication or poison that rapidly lowers the blood sugar level and can be applied secretly. It would also be stupid to use such in an attempt to kill someone as the attacked person simply has to eat something to negate the effect.

The 'western' media jumped onto the 'Navalny was poisoned' claim to heap the usual trash on Russia. They also claimed that Navalny is the 'opposition leader' in Russia even as he polls at 2% which is lower than the leader of the communist party and several other real opposition politicians. Nor is Navalny a 'liberal'. He is a rightwing nationalist and racist who sees Cechen and other non-Russian people as cockroaches that should be killed (vid).

In an interview with the *Guardian* Navalny confirmed those views:

Several years ago, [Navalny] released a number of disturbing videos, including one in which he is dressed as a dentist, complaining that tooth cavities ruin healthy teeth, as clips of migrant workers are shown. In another video, he speaks out in favour of relaxing gun controls, in a monologue that appears to compare migrants to cockroaches.

I ask him if he regrets those videos now, and he's unapologetic. He sees it as a strength that he can speak to both liberals and nationalists. But comparing migrants to cockroaches? "That was artistic license," he says. So there's nothing at all from those videos or that period that he regrets? "No," he says again, firmly.

The 'western' media also try to connect the 'poisoning' of Navalny to Russia's President Vladimir Putin. That makes no sense at all. Navalny is no danger to Putin

and is actually useful for him as he keeps other 'liberals' busy with nonsensical ideas.

During the last years Navalny has made some enemies by uncovering corruption cases. His latest one was about the local governor of Tomsk. It was also the reason why he had flown there. Should Navalny become the victim of a crime the suspects should be sought there.

Posted by b on August 22, 2020 at 17:39 UTC | [Permalink](#)

The very bitter drug propanolol can cause 'hypoglycemic unawareness' in people who are suffering hypoglycemia, apparently by blocking feelings of hunger. It's too bitter for tea, but people often get hypoglycemia from diabetes. As soon as they said 'hypoglycemia' and 'coma' I knew it was hypoglycemia, which means low blood sugar. If the coma was so deep that he had to be intubated, it seems very likely that there was some brain damage.

Posted by: [blues](#) | Aug 22 2020 18:10 utc | [1](#)

Bernhard - I am glad that you never had to deal with your father having serious to severe hypo - it is terrifying every single time it happens because upon you, alone, the life of the one you love depends. My late husband became a Type 1 diabetic in his mid 40s - we were living and working in Morocco at the time. Grace a dieu (Gott se danke?) he didn't have a hypo there... "honeymoon" period. But on our return to the US, he began having them - at night, during the day, while driving (I can't drive and no one would want me too - L/R probs too great), while away... you have to be ready to insist on glucose drinks/or rubbing the gel into their cheeks/or injecting with Glucagon (when in coma) or calling EMS. You cannot sleep deeply ever again - their life depends upon your being aware always, all the time, every minute of every day....But you cannot prevent their death from the unexpected....

Posted by: AnneR | Aug 22 2020 18:15 utc | [2](#)

[The German doctors will make a statement on Monday.](#)

I expect them to declare he was poisoned. The German physicians will probably use this weekend to make up the political narrative with members of the BND and fine the tune so all the members of the hospital involved can tell the same version. We know that's probably the case because, according to "the spokeswoman" (of whom? Navalny's team or the hospital?):

over coronavirus-related restrictions, the format of the statement — whether it will be a press conference or a written statement — is currently being discussed.

That doesn't make any sense. The diagnosis is the diagnosis: it won't make any difference if it is released through a press conference or in a written statement. The only reason a press conference is being cogitated is because it is expected to air on the MSM television and internet channels of the West, which would only make sense if it is already decided the diagnosis is poisoning.

The chief doctors' statement also doesn't make any practical sense. First, he states his team will make a statement on Monday. Then, he states "Diagnostic evaluation is currently underway. It is impossible to say yet how long it will last". Then why make a preliminary statement on Monday, if you don't have any clue? Either Dr. Zingl is trying to milk his fifteen minutes of fame the most possible, or he's a German government sell out (which would be ironic, as that would be something you would expect from a communist doctor, not a liberal/capitalist doctor).

Posted by: [vk](#) | Aug 22 2020 18:26 utc | 3

Exogenous insulin can be used to induce hypoglycemia even in non-diabetic patients. It has to be injected though.

Other drugs that may have been used to poison (or used by him to poison himself), as far as I know these are rarely included on toxicology screens:

<https://medlineplus.gov/ency/article/000310.htm>

Other thoughts: insulinoma (insulin-producing tumor)

Posted by: RealGoodDoc | Aug 22 2020 18:26 utc | 4

What I find disgraceful about this whole incident is the behaviour of Navalnys so-called colleagues.

Immediately screaming that he has been poisoned - creating a circus around a sick person.

Putting scoring political points above the health of somebody they presumably value as a colleague and perhaps a friend.

I am not a fan of Navalny - but when someone is sick they should be supported to get the appropriate treatment.

The doctors performed a number of tests / if they were told he is diabetic treatment is straightforward.

Did his family and friends support the doctors in making a quick diagnosis?

No we just got the usual tropes about Navalny being poisoned-  
By Putin of course!

His wife surely would know if he is a diabetic. yet she screams about being allowed to go to Germany. Putting a sick person on a flight shows a real lack of care.

These “western grant eaters” may be tolerated but they can cause reputational damage by their foolish behaviour  
Putin needs to squeeze them out of existence

Posted by: Jane2 | Aug 22 2020 18:39 utc | [5](#)

You confirm precisely my thoughts about the whole affair! The Gringos, of course, are having an aneurysm!

Posted by: Maracatu | Aug 22 2020 18:40 utc | [6](#)

they do love their anti russian propaganda. people aren't buying it nearly as eagerly, though.

Posted by: pretzelattack | Aug 22 2020 18:49 utc | [7](#)

The CIA is known to use insulin shock as a form of torture. Of course, as RealGoodDoc @4 says, it must be injected. An injection is easy to administer to a prisoner that is hogtied, but cannot be administered in tea.

This is most probably just another thing that is wrong with that particular Navalny individual.

Posted by: William Gruff | Aug 22 2020 18:52 utc | [8](#)

Navalny, has a cup of tea in the morning, boards a flight and then goes into a coma. His wife appears at the hospital in Omsk with Navalny's doctor and not long after a plane from Germany arrives and he is flown to Germany? The story goes that he was crying out in pain before collapsing?

"Pavel Lebedev, a passenger on the flight, wrote on Instagram that Navalny went to the toilet at the beginning of the flight and did not come back. "He started feeling very poorly. They could barely revive him and he's still crying out in pain," said Lebedev, who also published a photograph of Navalny drinking from a paper cup at the airport cafe before the flight."

Doesn't sound like low blood sugar? Perhaps the tea was Porton Down blend.

Posted by: Peter AU1 | Aug 22 2020 19:01 utc | [9](#)

From the link provided by RealGoodDoc @4 it appears that quinine can induce low blood sugar.

That's interesting. A dose sufficient to cause issues cannot be overlooked in a cup of tea as it has a sharp and bitter flavor, but quinine has a half-life of eleven hours in the human body. That means if the suspect were regularly taking large doses (to prevent a date with Corona-chan?) it would bioaccumulate, potentially to the point of toxicity.

Posted by: William Gruff | Aug 22 2020 19:05 utc | [10](#)

William gruff

A few on this list. <https://www.healthline.com/health/type-2-diabetes/drugs-increase-insulin-production>

"Glinides are oral insulin-increasing drugs given to people with type 2 diabetes. They usually take effect more quickly than other medications. However, they don't last long and need to be taken multiple times per day. They're often prescribed with another medication, especially if symptoms don't improve with diet and lifestyle changes."

Posted by: Peter AU1 | Aug 22 2020 19:07 utc | [11](#)

Peter AU1 @9

I am sure the Russian doctors have their own blood samples. Any differences between theirs and the German doctors' would be quite interesting.

Posted by: William Gruff | Aug 22 2020 19:08 utc | [12](#)

The overwhelming presumption, on the part of Navalny's crew (wife included) and the western powers (inc. the German doctors?) would seem to be:

The Russians are so bloody stupid that - of course - they poison him; and in his tea... a blatant act...gor blimey...

But - at the same time, simultaneously - the Russians (meaning always, always and ever more, Mr Putin and the "Kremlin") are so "devious." Just as with the whole f\*\*\*ing Russiagate stuff...stupid AND devious.... Hmmm.. Why are we so afraid if they are so bloody inept???

I mean, really...

Posted by: AnneR | Aug 22 2020 19:09 utc | [13](#)

Jane2

Navalny had this to say the day before he was "poisoned"

""He even joked that he has to make excuses that he hasn't been killed yet," said Ilya Chumakov, one of two dozen activists who met Navalny on Wednesday in the Siberian city of Tomsk.

Then, according to Chumakov, he grew more serious and added that his death would not help President Vladimir Putin.

"He replied that it wouldn't be beneficial for Putin. That it would lead to him [Navalny] being turned into a hero," Chumakov said."

<https://www.smh.com.au/world/europe/my-death-wouldn-t-help-putin-rival-said-before-suspected-tea-poisoning-20200821-p55nul.html>

A good chance Navalny organised this stunt himself. A number of things happened too quickly for it not to have been planned.

Posted by: Peter AU1 | Aug 22 2020 19:14 utc | [14](#)

Yep, a bit of Web research shows that hydroxychloroquine *can* induce low blood sugar. Something for doctors to be aware of when prescribing it, but not a super common side effect of the drug.

Posted by: William Gruff | Aug 22 2020 19:17 utc | [15](#)

Having discovered something wrong with the “T” in Tomsk, he flew to Omsk.

Posted by: David G | Aug 22 2020 19:18 utc | [16](#)

I suppose we'll never know, but I might think that he went to the toilet, injected insulin, and, having little or nothing to eat, went into insulin shock. I myself have seen that, and the victim seems sort of drunk, really out of it. So, if that's the case, he "poisoned" himself. Means, motive, opportunity an' all the stuff.

That said, one might examine the idea that he injected a double-strength dose...Agatha Christie murder mystery style. That comes down to custody of the drug.

One is inclined to speculate about the timing too - was this in coordination with the Belarus "color revolution" farce?

Posted by: Walter | Aug 22 2020 19:21 utc | [17](#)

A few years ago in the British mystery series *Endeavor*, which was set in 1967-8, a series of murders occurred at a hospital that greatly mystified the police. It was finally discovered that the deaths were caused by insulin injections to cause a hypoglycemic reaction, which at the time was just being discovered.

I comment and bring up that program since it appears several events the were turned into Anti-Russian propaganda initially appeared in popular media shows of British origin.

As for Navalny, many pre-diabetics can be very stubborn about the reality of their condition and choose to fight that reality. If boarding a Russian domestic airline flight is anything like that within the Outlaw US Empire, the stress level related to the security measures would easily cause a lowering of blood-sugar if one was

rushed and hasn't properly eaten. IMO, Navalny projected the persona of a Russian Macho Man and very possibly ignored or pooh-pooed his diabetic condition as many view it as a weakness. I suspect there's a medical history trail, but access to it depends if HIPPA-like laws exist in Russia limiting access to such information.

Posted by: karlof1 | Aug 22 2020 19:23 utc | [18](#)

William Gruff

Going by what he said the day before, which I quoted @14, I think this most likely to be a stunt organised by or with the knowledge of Navalny. He gets sick one day and by daylight the following morning there is a German plane with all the required equipment and doctors to fly him to Germany. I think a substance will quickly be found as I gather the German doctors will have or be given a good idea what to look for.

Posted by: Peter AU1 | Aug 22 2020 19:28 utc | [19](#)

=/ On request of his family he was transported to Germany where he is currently undergoing treatment. /= -- from article by b, above

That tells me he is still not making his own decisions. It seems very likely to me he will not come back.

Posted by: [blues](#) | Aug 22 2020 19:28 utc | [20](#)

Peter AU1 @14 and Walter @17

It seems like a very risky stunt, but Navalny's star was fading. He needed something to get him back in the news or the CIA/State Department would start questioning their investment in him. He has the choice of taking chances like this or he ends up like Nemtsov.

It is believable that he did this to himself.

Posted by: William Gruff | Aug 22 2020 19:28 utc | [21](#)

On insulin and hypo getting through airport security: Does anyone know the rules on that in Russia or elsewhere? I would guess they'd need to be declared and

doctor's certification provided since the tandem are otherwise a deadly weapon.

Posted by: karlof1 | Aug 22 2020 19:30 utc | [22](#)

Belarus is red hot and it would be the best of times to get rid of the blogger, for the whole world to see the wickedness of Vlad of Muscovies... and his collection of strange brews.

Strange brew

Kill what's inside of you...

Posted by: Paco | Aug 22 2020 19:32 utc | [23](#)

If Navalny is diabetic, and was in pain, then it's possible that he suffered an attack of Pancreatitis, which I'm told is very painful.

Posted by: Hoarsewhisperer | Aug 22 2020 19:36 utc | [24](#)

Hey Dr K, (@22) You gotta good point there, the FSB must have had a chat with airport security about needles and drugs...the report is no doubt on the way the Stalin's old office and brother P.

Occam's Razor? It's more of less obviously a stunt, and one that speaks to the poor judgement of dear gospodin Navalny as well as suggests the idea that he himself may have been something of a victim, but not innocent.

Posted by: Walter | Aug 22 2020 19:40 utc | [25](#)

@18 karlof1, in Canada, unfortunately, we had a case where a nurse serially murdered 8 senior citizens, and attempted to kill another 6, via insulin injections between 2007-2016.

<https://globalnews.ca/news/5707936/elizabeth-wettlaufer-inquiry-confession/>

If Russia really wanted to get rid of Navalny (or the Skripals, for that matter) wouldn't it make more sense to just have a simple hit & run car accident, with plausible deniability, rather than to always cater so helpfully to the West's long-promoted narrative of poisoning?

Posted by: Canadian Cents | Aug 22 2020 19:40 utc | [26](#)

Polonium tea was drummed into everyone memories a few years back. Navalny's offsider claimed he had been poisoned and had only drank a cup of tea that morning. Conveniently Navalny was photographed drinking that cup of tea, the photograph making it to the MSM. [link](#)

Posted by: Peter AU1 | Aug 22 2020 19:42 utc | [27](#)

How about an inside job, payback for defeat snatched from the jaws of a blitz victory. Luka has reacted harshly, he gave the mutineers the weekend to think it over, among other things he said that Belarus borders are the borders of a Union State and of the ODKV military alliance.

<https://youtu.be/Bfkm038a-NE?t=2385>

Posted by: Paco | Aug 22 2020 19:47 utc | [28](#)

@28

Should've been ODKB or CSTO in English.

The meeting took place in Grodno, close to the Polish border, a city claimed by polish politicians if a break apart is attained in Belarus, Luka gave orders, shoot to kill if the border is violated.

Posted by: Paco | Aug 22 2020 20:16 utc | [29](#)

Walter @25--

Thanks for your reply! FSB also most likely had his communications compromised. The what appears to be public talk about him needing to become a martyr to further the cause also indicates the possibility of a plan--something concocted prior to his trip and communicated in a manner that would evade FSB: the family walk in the forest or some such. However, the few diabetics I've known that needed to shoot insulin daily did it once in morning and again in evening quite rigorously and wouldn't dream of rushing off without having properly medicated themselves given the consequences.

Canadian Cents @26--

Thanks for your reply and reminder of that tragedy which I now recall. Yes, there're so many discreet methods of elimination available to sinister government agencies and Navalny was such a non-threat that Russian government involvement seems highly unlikely.

Posted by: karlofi | Aug 22 2020 20:28 utc | [30](#)

It could be a stunt. Navalny then would have injected insulin on himself when in the bathroom of the airplane (the syringe discarded through the vase).

It's possible the West is trying to make a double-header with Belarus-Russia. They topple Lukashenko and then use Minsk as a springboard to topple Putin in Moscow:

[Belarus is being used as 'trampoline' to attack Russia, Lukashenko tells RT, amid post-election crisis](#)

Lukashenko tells the truth: one cannot even dream about controlling Russia from Moscow without conquering Minsk first.

Sure, you could do a Hannibal in the Tundra and try to attack and conquer Russia from the East (Bering Strait) - but that would be an over-complicated operation that could only work on a purely military front. Realistically, with the tactic chosen (color revolution), you have to go straight to the big cities and, preferably, the capital of the target government.

In this context - that is, trying to topple Putin through a color revolution - the only option is through the Western front. And Belarus is the gateway to Moscow, as the Nazis had demonstrated in 1941-1942. With Minsk in Western hands, Moscow is completely open to foreign intervention.

Remember: social media is just one of the aspects of a color revolution. To make it effective, you have to signal the color revolutionaries that they will have the means to install their own government and do so with the means to keep it alive. That means you have to signal them you can send them weapons, manpower, know-how and refreshments (Lines of Communications, or LoC). Without the perspective of the establishment of LoCs, there's no chances of success for any color revolution. Therefore, any attempt of color revolution in Russia (Moscow) goes through Minsk.

In this context, it would not be total madness to claim Navalny's martyrdom to be a double of Belarus' "shoe revolution". It doesn't matter here that the "shoe

revolution" has a chance of succeeding or not: the whole thing must have been planned with years of antecedence, so the "poisoning" was bound to happen, regardless of the state of affairs in Belarus. Large operations have lesser margin for maneuver, it's that simple.

So, the plan would look like this: in mid-August 2020, Belarus will have its national election. We topple Lukashenko (who will win) and, in two weeks or so, Navalny fakes his own murder attempt. By end-August, Minsk will already be ours, and Moscow would be in "turmoil" (i.e. the Western peoples would be animated towards going all-in with their governments to topple Putin). Sanctions against Russia could escalate, as the EU would then be on our (the Americans') side. More complex and larger quantities of supplies could then be shipped to color revolutionaries in Moscow, from Minsk. As the quantity of supplies and money rise (new, shorter and large LoCs), the morale of the color revolutionaries in Moscow would only continue to rise (given the mercenary/liberal nature of color revolutionaries). Putin could then keep surviving for a few months, but his grand project for Russia's revival would be dead. He would become a lame duck for the rest of his political career and, with a little bit of luck, could even be assassinated by a color revolutionary. Navalny (or whoever is his successor) would practically be Russia's president-in-waiting.

Posted by: [vk](#) | Aug 22 2020 20:40 utc | [31](#)

Navalny had experienced severe hypoglycemia

That's what I read first but then the western propaganda machine started reel out the fake news and the so-called western press feed everyone the lies.

Posted by: [jo6pac](#) | Aug 22 2020 20:42 utc | [32](#)

MSM pieces had it from a video that Navalny was crying out in pain. I found a section of the video in this BBC piece.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?time\\_continue=44&v=pDMfqFdDQ1w&feature=emb\\_logo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=44&v=pDMfqFdDQ1w&feature=emb_logo)

He obviously took something to induce hypoglycemia, but the very loud and drawn out noise seems designed to get everyone's attention rather than cries of pain.

Posted by: [Peter AU1](#) | Aug 22 2020 20:49 utc | [33](#)

Is there also a possibility that Navalny may have had gastroenteritis while on the plane? Symptoms include cramping, diarrhoea and vomiting. The water for Navalny's tea could have been a bit dodgy for his body to tolerate. My understanding is Navalny is used to quite a lavish lifestyle - a daughter of his attends college in the US and he makes frequent trips to Spain and Switzerland - so Tomsk must have been a hick town for him to visit and its facilities and infrastrucure beneath his accustomed standard of living.

There is a possibility that if Navalny were poisoned, the people most likely to poison him would be those supposedly protecting him. For all the money the West has splashed on him, Navalny has achieved very little. His followers are mostly groupies like his eye doctor Anastasia Vasilieva who carried out a stunt supplying PPE (with no certification) from Moscow to two hospials in Novgorod during lockdown. The hospitals had to junk the masks and gowns. As B says, Navalny only has 2% support among the Russian voting public. He cannot meet the requirements to register as a presidential candidate. He is ageing and there are younger and better-looking opposition activists like Lyubov Sobol who can be relied upon to mouth the right woke identity politics stuff. Navalny will soon find himself a liability to his handlers, their money spigot will dry up and that will be when his supporters might discover their donations and sacrifice have come to naught and will turn on him.

Posted by: Jen | Aug 22 2020 20:49 utc | 34

Posted by: vk | Aug 22 2020 20:40 utc | 31

Of course Moscow is the big prize, but piecemeal works just fine, they've been going at it since '91 with success until 2008 in Georgia and then the big loss of Crimea. The meeting in Grodno points to a more immediate and appetizing morsel, Kaliningrad, to force Russia out of ice free Baltic, Poland keeps on dreaming about the seas, Baltic, Black, and a thousand extra US troops plus a considerable number of F16 have been moved from Germany to Poland, right on Belarus border. The stakes are high and that's why Luka has reacted, late on the info battle, but on time to stop what looked liked a finished matter. Telegram has been the tool this time, like FBook and Twitter in previous color gigs.

Posted by: Paco | Aug 22 2020 20:55 utc | 35

Ricin poisoning have been used before in killings and could be related to causing hypoglycemia.

Posted by: Zanon | Aug 22 2020 21:10 utc | [36](#)

Is Navalny a lawyer? Well, yes by training, and no by the profession he practises. He would probably define himself as a campaigning journalist of the highest caliber, a courageous investigator of wrongs, and there's alot that's wrong with Russia, but is he the right guy to correct these wrongs? Hmmmm

One mustn't rule anything out, the list of possibilities why he fell ill is long, but one thing is more than certain, it cannot have been an order from the Kremlin, the guy is much greater threat to Putin dead than alive.

The poisoning story that emerged almost simultaneously with the news he's been taken ill fits neatly the long running narrative of the Putin's assigned string of near deadly attacks on people opposed to him with killing tools that even a school kid could link to the Kremlin, but which anyone with still functioning brain cannot but reject.

Navalny has charisma aplenty, he's an excellent talker, looks good on the TV, and has a loyal following in Moscow, St Petersburg and few other cities, but not overwhelmingly so, and virtually no backing in the country at large. His best endeavours have been investigations in the field of corruption, he can package the cases attractively, but he is known to pinch investigative work of others, never acknowledges it, is not disliked but hated by the other oppositionists, he refuses to join forces with them to form a common front, admits to cheating arguing that it's morally justified because of the Russia's corrupt regime.

His judgement isn't up too it, however, he was in favour of the Crimean takeover when it was happening, this displeased his foreign donors, he changed his mind, this didn't go down well with many of his Russian supporters who, like most of Russia, believe Crimea has been Russian for centuries, he switched again, argues now that the takeover would be OK, if there were to be another referendum under international supervision.

His latest misjudgment was for the Moscow Duma election, he and his team asked people to vote for anyone but the pro-Putin candidates, many people did, the pro-Putin candidates barely reached over 50% majority, sadly for him the other votes went for the communists and hardliners, not Navalny's candidates, which pi\$\$ed many of his supporters mightily, as you may imagine.

His star has been in decline, he needed something to boost his standing, not so

much inside Russia, but internationally, in particular now when Belarus is attempting a replica of the Kiev's Maidan. One would expect his recovery will furnish many a chance for him to appear on the TV screens across the world, another Greta of the male gender, not to save the planet, he ain't aiming that far, but the land of the suffering unwashed of Russia from the Putin's tyranny.

Posted by: Baron | Aug 22 2020 21:17 utc | [37](#)

There is no evidence either way. We don't know he was diabetic. Those with diabetes who are being treated no very well about hypoglycemia and how to handle it. Its very dangerous if you are isolated without means of obtaining sugar. He was on a plane, not isolated.

Some poisons used by intelligence agencies cant be detected. Those that can be detected are not necessarily reported if the powerful people behind an assassination have infiltrated or influenced law enforcement or the medical examiner/doctors. Such things happen

Some toxins from Ackee fruit and mushrooms can cause severe hypoglycemia that is not reversible by ingesting sugar. Synthetics doing the same may exist as well.

Any good investigator will start looking at a potential crime and rule natural causes only when no motives, means, opportunity can be found. Sounds like there was motive. Intelligence and criminal/corporate entities are good at finding means and opportunity. Maybe he died a natural death. Nothing here convinced me either way.

Posted by: Kay Fabe | Aug 22 2020 21:23 utc | [38](#)

Does anyone have a reference to Navalny polling at 2%?  
I don't know how hard it is to trigger a hypoglycemic shock but but if Navalny did this himself I certainly would consider the possibility that it was accidental. Who knows what selfmedication he takes. It would fit with his distrusting attitude and the certainty of his associate that it's poisoning.

Posted by: Tuyzentflood | Aug 22 2020 21:24 utc | [39](#)

Hi All,

This is not a comment per se. Because of continued requests for money posted to my PayPal account (and an unsatisfactory response from PayPal), I decided to

cancel my account with them. Unfortunately, MoA seems to accept donations only through PayPal. Is there any other method for making monthly contributions?

Posted by: Rick | Aug 22 2020 21:31 utc | [40](#)

@ Posted by: Kay Fabe | Aug 22 2020 21:23 utc | 38

You don't need to be diabetic to suffer an hypoglycemic shock after an insulin shot. The Russian doctor never said Navalny is diabetic: he only said he suffered from a sudden drop in blood glucose.

If the poison can't be detected, then there's no way the German doctors will be able to conclude he was poisoned. Best case scenario, it would be an unsolvable crime. Worst case scenario, the German doctors will lie and "diagnose" him with poisoning, thus triggering a new propaganda war.

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@ Posted by: Jen | Aug 22 2020 20:49 utc | 34

Gastroenteritis doesn't explain the coma.

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@ Posted by: Tuyzentflood | Aug 22 2020 21:24 utc | 39

If Navalny really is diabetic, it's possible he calculated badly his glucose situation. But then, why didn't the air crew tell us about the syringe in the trash bin of the bathroom? That would immediately clean the air. Unless he flushed the syringe, in which case it is highly suspicious.

Besides, if he's diabetic to the point he needs insulin, then he's probably type 1 (i.e. he has it since he was born). It would be very unlikely, in this scenario, that he, with decades of experience over his own body and on his own medication of insulin, to commit such an unforced error in a plane of all places.

Posted by: [vk](#) | Aug 22 2020 21:42 utc | [41](#)

Modern insulin pen made of plastic - needle pierces epidermis into any fatty tissue

area. Untraceable. Best with alcohol.  
Maximum pressure remains on Russia.

Posted by: humblebum | Aug 22 2020 21:43 utc | [42](#)

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Posted by: bob | Aug 22 2020 21:43 utc | [43](#)

Yesterday Merkel reacted extremely quickly, implicitly expressing a prejudgement with her demand for transparency directed at the Russian government. And immediately the entire Relotius press threw itself on it, listing alleged precedents. To me, all this makes a prepared impression.

After Navalny's transfer to Germany, the West has the chance to invent some kind of suitable story. On the other hand, the permission to fly him to Berlin significantly increased Russian credibility. That diminishes the potential for propaganda.

Posted by: pnyx | Aug 22 2020 21:45 utc | [44](#)

William Gruff # 21

It is believable that he did this to himself.

Thank you and on your final point - more than likely.

If his star was falling then second likelihood would be his western handlers flicking their pawn off the board and getting some 'hate russia' political value from the move. Take note pawns of the world. Guaido next?

Third likelihood could be one of his looney right competitor parties.

There is no great benefit for the Russian state to act against him as he was a poor performer, a useful idiot for the west, and stood in the way of a unified right. All good positions for the ruling party in any state.

Posted by: uncle tungsten | Aug 22 2020 21:51 utc | [45](#)

b, at my basic first aid training I was taught that any kind of diabetic episode can be initially treated with a small piece of sugar or confectionary. Your father was right.

No doubt this episode will be milked by the MSM on continuous loop until it becomes conventional wisdom because Putin is the wicked man of the day. Because if Putin would agree to the full break up of Syria into a mosaic of feuding mini states then Putin would suddenly become "democratic." Then the demands would never cease.

Where was the MSM and chattering class outrage when President Arafat was actually poisoned by the chosen cult?

Posted by: Paul | Aug 22 2020 22:26 utc | [47](#)

This is part and parcel of the current move on Belarus and Russia. Organised by the organizers of the color revolution in Belarus. Germany is very much part of that. The fully equipped German plane arriving in Russia by daylight the next day with nothing organised beforehand to transfer a patient.

Going by this, Navalny was in on the scam.

"He even joked that he has to make excuses that he hasn't been killed yet," said Ilya Chumakov, one of two dozen activists who met Navalny on Wednesday in the Siberian city of Tomsk.

Then, according to Chumakov, he grew more serious and added that his death would not help President Vladimir Putin.

"He replied that it wouldn't be beneficial for Putin. That it would lead to him [Navalny] being turned into a hero," Chumakov said."

This press secretary said he had only had a cup of tea that morning, and the obligatory photo of Navalny having a cup of tea is produced.

On the plane, Navalny heads to the toilet and injects or takes something to induce hypoglycemia. Before it kicks in properly he starts emitting loud drawn out groans ensuring all on the aircraft can hear him.

I guess he expected to come out of this alive, but I wouldn't mind betting his handlers have boosted the dosage a bit.

Another reason for the German plane to get there fast was perhaps to ensure Russian doctors did not have enough time to diagnose what he had dosed himself with.

Posted by: Peter AU1 | Aug 22 2020 22:46 utc | [48](#)

Not totally on topic maybe: With his racist remarks he seems to have a majority

audience that share his views on immigration from mostly muslim countries in Russia.

Maybe not that they should be killed as cockroaches. But the youtube video gets in the huge majority positive resonance, both in upvotes/downvotes but also from the comments (Machine translates though).

And from what i gather personally from experience with Russians, is that most share those views, at least seeing immigration as a threat more than positive.

And despite the hype of a mythical Russia-China "allaince" or even "friendship", Chinese are seen as the yellow wave threat since centuries, same as in the US.

When one visits the border of China and Russia, one can see why the Russians fear the chinese. With their economic power, efficency and hard labor, they now dominate the border regions economically.

And that cheap labor from Chechen or other near states threatens the already fragile economic situation of most Russians, and that most Russians therefore dislike this immigration, is also no wonder. Same as in the western states, which have started importing cheap immigrant labor at least since the 1960s. Here in Germany done by right wingers like Strauß, to pressure unions and tariffs.

Successfully.

Nawany seems to tap into this populist sentiment, even though in an extremistic / fascist fashion, that i think most Russians dont support.

He seems to want to combine the popular nationalistic/patriotic sentiments with the neoliberal, to combine the potential of both biggest opposition groups in Russia, excluding the communist.

Not a winning strategy maybe, but the theoretical plan is pretty obvious.

What he believes himself, is another question enterily. As is for most politicians.

Posted by: DontBelieveEitherPr | Aug 22 2020 22:50 utc | [49](#)

Just a short comment.

If Navalny was poisoned by Russian State operatives they would never have allowed him to leave the jurisdiction taking the evidence with him.

They would've finished the job in the clinic.

Posted by: Deal | Aug 22 2020 23:01 utc | [50](#)

For Kabbalah freaks, 21 August 1940 Lev Trotsky was assassinated in Coyoacán México, so here we go 80 years to the date someone tries to do Navalny in as a gift to the present ruler. Some imagination went into the plan.

Posted by: Paco | Aug 22 2020 23:02 utc | [51](#)

Posted by: Tuyzentflood | Aug 22 2020 21:24 utc | [39](#)

It seems that he mainly self-medicates himself with hard drugs... Told by his own daughter on social networks...

Anyone could have added an overdose to a dose previously known he would have had... And that could only be done by a close acquaintance....

Posted by: H. Schmatz | Aug 22 2020 23:16 utc | [52](#)

Assuming that the German physicians find no evidence of poisoning, the question will then arise as to the reliability of the Russian physicians finding evidence of hypoglycemia. I'm going to go out on a limb here and predict that the Western media will suggest that those tricky Russians are lying. OTOH, if toxicology studies do find that Navalny was poisoned, Putin will be blamed even though it makes no sense for him to be involved in such an activity, just as it made no sense for Russians to have poisoned the Skripals. We are truly living in the era of post-truth journalism.

Posted by: Rob | Aug 22 2020 23:35 utc | [53](#)

Navalny + restroom + cocaine + diabetes + empty stomach.

Posted by: Gareth | Aug 23 2020 0:15 utc | [54](#)

I have mild diabetes. I have had episodes of hypoglycemia when I have drunk too much red wine. Red wine neutralizes sugar in the blood.

Posted by: lysias | Aug 23 2020 0:25 utc | [55](#)

Alcohol has sugar/carbohydrates. U drink too much u may get drowsy slur speech fall into coma. U take too much insulin and you may never wake up. U usually perspire like a pig and have fast pulse when blood sugar very low. No pain. Just drifting away.

Posted by: humblebum | Aug 23 2020 0:42 utc | [56](#)

thanks b.... this makes way more sense....

porton down tea.. thanks for that peter!!

Posted by: james | Aug 23 2020 0:48 utc | [57](#)

In 2018, I was diagnosed as diabetic with an A1C of 9. The doctor said they usually put people on that level on insulin, but she decided to recommend Metformin for me. This motivated me to lose 45 pounds over the next nine months and reduce my A1C down to 5.6 which is considered "pre-diabetic" or "non-diabetic."

I only once shortly after being diagnosed diabetic had an instance of hypoglycemia. I was in a movie theater and had thoughtlessly had my usual bucket of popcorn and a fruit drink. The fruit drink was undoubtedly \*loaded\* with sugar, causing an extreme insulin reaction and thus lowered blood sugar. My vision got blurry and I felt light-headed. I just breathed deeply for a while and the feeling went away in about five or ten minutes. Usually, eating some protein also helps re-regulate the insulin, although most people carry some sort of glucose source.

They said Navalny drank tea that morning. Some people put sugar in tea, don't they? Or if someone knew he was diabetic, they might put excess sugar in his tea (although one would expect him to notice unless he was used to having sugar in his tea.) That alone could have triggered his attack if he hadn't eaten much in the preceding hours. One big shot of sugar could have dropped him easily. All the Russians have to do is publish his A1C levels.

Interestingly, in the months and years before being diagnosed diabetic, I was in the habit of eating a quart and a half of ice cream as my evening meal maybe once a week or so. Never had a hypoglycemic attack until that evening at the movies a few months after being diagnosed. Although ice cream is actually "low glycemic", meaning the emulsion involved in the process of making it tends to make it not spike your insulin response as much as some other sources of sugar.

Today I can eat eight Clif bars a day (just once every couple weeks) and add eight cookies to that without any effects at all - other than gaining three pounds in weight which I then have to lose by going back on a strict ketogenic diet. My weight varies between 155 and 165 or so depending on how much I pig out in a given week.

Posted by: Richard Steven Hack | Aug 23 2020 1:23 utc | [58](#)

@ Tuyzentflood | Aug 22 2020 21:24 utc | 39  
"Navalny polling at 2%"

I'm pretty sure there was a table in Wikipedia covering years of elections, but I can't find it.

Posted by: Keith McClary | Aug 23 2020 1:27 utc | 59

@39 Tuyzentflood

The results: you can find Navalny's total among the "Others", who all together got 2.96% (Thus, his 2%).

The final results of the elections were approved by the CEC on 23 March 2018.[162]

#### Candidate Party Votes %

Vladimir Putin Independent	56,430,712	76.69
Pavel Grudinin Communist Party	8,659,206	11.77
Vladimir Zhirinovskiy Liberal Democratic Party	4,154,985	5.65
Ksenia Sobchak Civic Initiative	1,238,031	1.68
Grigory Yavlinsky Yabloko	769,644	1.05
Boris Titov Party of Growth	556,801	0.76
Maxim Suraykin Communists of Russia	499,342	0.68
Sergey Baburin Russian All-People's Union	479,013	0.65
Invalid/blank votes	791,258	1.08
Total	73,578,992	100.00

Registered voters/turnout 109,008,428 67.50

Source: CEC

Popular vote

Putin

76.69%

Grudinin

11.77%

Zhirinovskiy

5.65%

Sobchak

1.68%

Yavlinsky

1.05%

Others

2.96%

Posted by: Red Ryder | Aug 23 2020 1:45 utc | [60](#)

CBS Evening New gave the Navalny "poisoned" agenda a prominent mid-program segment that showed Navalny drinking "tea" and also provided a short phone video clip of him groaning in pain on his now ill fated flight to Moscow. While never mentioning anything about his rightist/nationalist politics (ala the neo-nazi Ukrainian "opposition" putsch), they emphatically emphasized his being a staunch "opponent" of Putin's, along with mentioning Litvinenko and his alleged "poisoning by tea" demise, as well as once again, trotting out Porton Down's favorite dual agent due: the Skripals.

And to hammer home their anti-Russian agit-prop piece, they had one of their trusty western democracy promoting reporters planted in Minsk's Independent Square declaring that "major" opposition demonstrations against Belarus' recent "widely disputed" elections were scheduled for tomorrow in what the reporter on site declared "could be the largest demonstrations yet" against Lukashenko and his Russian supported regime.

No matter what Navalny actually 'suffered' from, it's clear that a Ukraine/Maiden2 operation is most firmly afoot by the US and it's still compliant Nato lackeys..

Posted by: time2wakeupnow | Aug 23 2020 1:47 utc | [61](#)

Richard Steven Hack & james

As far as I know, hypoglycemia due to diabetes will not cause you to cry out in pain. I take it as given though that hypoglycemia as diagnosed is the issue, but what caused it?

The issues I have listed makes me think it is deliberately self inflicted.

Posted by: Peter AU1 | Aug 23 2020 1:49 utc | [62](#)

two somewhat only one peripheral remark and a question: Insulin has not become

known only since 1960's as karlof at #18 mentions ("...British mystery series Endeavor, which was set in 1967-8, a series of murders occurred at a hospital that greatly mystified the police. It was finally discovered that the deaths were caused by insulin injections to cause a hypoglycemic reaction, which at the time was just being discovered....") [https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Insulin#Zeittafel\\_zur\\_Forschungsgeschichte](https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Insulin#Zeittafel_zur_Forschungsgeschichte), but Banting and Best were the first to extract in 1921, but even earlier research by others led to their discovery. And secondly, I have a question which nobody so far has been able to really address with confidence and hard data, namely the role of the Russian mafia in today's world and politics. The book by Masha Gessen about Putin does not deal with mafia (it is mentioned only once or twice, only very cursory) and otherwise one only hears or reads about the Mogilevich or Kolomoyskiy, and that's it. There is one interesting publication from late 1980s or early 1990s, by Vadim Bielych and Dmitriy Lichanov - which deals a great deal with the role of the Russian mafia in the former Soviet Union and my question is basically - did Putin get control of that organized crime society? The tradition of that secret society has been known since the mid 19th century, in the writings of Anton Chekhov and his experience visiting the Sakhalin prison system.

Posted by: bystandero4 | Aug 23 2020 2:27 utc | [63](#)

Alt right flavor nationalist politicians find an audience in every country, and usually significantly more than 2% too. What concerns me more is that the US picks guys like him to be the puppet.

Posted by: ptb | Aug 23 2020 2:32 utc | [64](#)

bystandero4

Posted by: Peter AU1 | Aug 23 2020 2:51 utc | [65](#)

Hit the enter button at the wrong time and it posts...

bystandero4

You get to Masha Gessen and you lose any plausibility. Distracting attention from US/anglo anti Russia bullshit?

Posted by: Peter AU1 | Aug 23 2020 2:56 utc | [66](#)

Would save Putin some bad press if b's diabetic shock scenario were true, but there is not enough information to confidently make such a judgment. If Navalny were diabetic, he surely knew it, and he and his entourage would have come prepared. Navalny himself would not have reacted to familiar symptoms with the cries of shock & distress that were recorded as he fell into a coma. B's preferred explanation is diabetic shock, but that seems unlikely. He is not Putin's useful idiot. He was associating himself with regional power, an anti-federalist political constituency that Putin apparently finds inconvenient and perhaps more threatening than we know. CIA should be able to inform the US Gov concerning the regional power of governors vs the federal state, that is to say, if they are doing their job. Likely they don't have humint because they are slackers, milking the black budget for all it's worth like all the other dead beats in the Trump Admin. The US doesn't really know what's going on in Russia any more than it knew what was happening in the USSR just before it came crashing down. Neither does b.

Posted by: jadan | Aug 23 2020 3:10 utc | [67](#)

Peter AU1

I think you misunderstand my mention of Gessen and her lack of discussing mafia in SU and Russia. I am not trying to distract from anti Russia b.s., au contraire, you need to think about it. The local fiefdoms in Siberia may be very well be still controlled by organized crime which is bent on destabilization of Putin and his government (not `regime`). Bielych/Liganov give a glimpse in the central Asia corruption, with solid gold bust of Breschnev send to him by a party boss in Uzbekistan, IRRC... So, my question is still in the air. Who benefits from illness of Mr. Navalny?

Posted by: bystandero4 | Aug 23 2020 3:18 utc | [68](#)

@ Peter AU1 | Aug 23 2020 1:49 utc | 62.. i don't know.. self inflicted maybe... as someone else mentioned he is probably worth more dead then alive... well, maybe not too... think of the recycled bad press in the western msm with navalny... he is almost worth as much as pussy riot at this point... keep on churning out stories about putin poisoning people who don't agree with him, or are his enemies and etc. etc.. that russia is extremely evil, anti democratic and etc. etc.. you know the drill, lol... if you can make like he almost dies, but continues to live - like a cat with 9 lives - it has to be worth more to the water carriers for empire - western msm... fortunately people who live in the real world aren't buying any of this bullshit...

Posted by: james | Aug 23 2020 3:48 utc | [69](#)

bystandero4 "Who benefits from illness of Mr. Navalny?"

US west. Thanks for your expansion on organized crime. Not sure that they control Siberia or any other region but perhaps a force still to be reckoned with. Would also be working for the US for the right remuneration.

james

I am likely to lose my money, but I will put it on Navalny dying a long drawn out death that can be milked for all its worth.

Posted by: Peter AU1 | Aug 23 2020 4:07 utc | [70](#)

b

I have found nothing that would not diabetes. Navalny's play acting after entering the airplane shitter does not point to diabetes.

As gruff said, he was a fading star. The day before he said something about being a hero if Putin took him out.

Posted by: Peter AU1 | Aug 23 2020 4:21 utc | [71](#)

Posted by: uncle tungsten | Aug 22 2020 21:51 utc | 45 -- "If his star was falling then second likelihood would be his western handlers flicking their pawn off the board and getting some 'hate russia' political value from the move. Take note pawns of the world. Guaido next?"

Good point, Uncle T, especially for Joshua Wong, the Hong Kong cockroach. There are times when a "democracy activist" is worth more dead than alive.

Posted by: kiwiklown | Aug 23 2020 4:28 utc | [72](#)

Posted by: james | Aug 23 2020 0:48 utc | 57 -- "porton down tea.. thanks for that peter!!"

Next thing we hear is that they will find an "unknown poison" on the airplane's toilet door handles. LOL !!!

I may be jumping the gun here, but MSM spreading the "he was poisoned" spin is another proof that the West is not truth-capable.

And that is coming on top of being  
-- not agreement-capable (ask lavrov / putin);  
-- not legal-capable (snapbacks anybody);  
-- not spelling capable ( austria / australia).

Posted by: kiwiklown | Aug 23 2020 4:39 utc | 73

Posted by: Peter AU1 | Aug 23 2020 1:49 utc | 62 As far as I know, hypoglycemia due to diabetes will not cause you to cry out in pain.

Good point.

Symptoms:

An irregular or fast heartbeat; Fatigue; Pale skin; Shakiness; Anxiety; Sweating; Hunger; Irritability; Tingling or numbness of the lips, tongue or cheek  
As hypoglycemia worsens, signs and symptoms can include: Confusion, abnormal behavior or both, such as the inability to complete routine tasks, Visual disturbances, such as blurred vision, Seizures, Loss of consciousness

Now it could be that some of those symptoms can produce an emotional reaction that would involve making noises like one is in pain, especially the seizure part. It's also possible that, if Navalny has diabetes, perhaps he has a history of diabetic neuropathy, defined as: "A type of nerve damage that can occur with diabetes. The condition most often affects the legs and feet. For some people, symptoms are mild. For others, symptoms can be painful, debilitating, and even fatal. Symptoms include pain and numbness in the legs. In more severe cases, symptoms include issues with digestion, the bladder, and controlling heart rate." Diabetic neuropathy can also trigger heart symptoms that resemble angina and heart attack. A hypoglycemic attack can trigger diabetic neuropathy pain.

I've had the pain and numbness in the feet, but I think it was mostly related to my piriformis syndrome (literally a PITA, due to the piriformis muscle clamping on the sciatic nerve which runs over, under or even through the piriformis muscle in the butt.) But my occasional pain may be aggravated by my previous diabetes.

So it's still possible that he just had a hypoglycemic attack, albeit a severe one.

Posted by: Richard Steven Hack | Aug 23 2020 5:24 utc | 75

ptb @ 64 -- "What concerns me more is that the US picks guys like him to be the

puppet."

What concerns me EVEN more is that the US would even need to pick puppets in other people's countries AT ALL.

Having said that, if I were to pick a puppet, I surely would pick a stupid, dull, obedient doltard such as Cockroach Joshua Wong or Guileless Guido.

Posted by: kiwiklown | Aug 23 2020 5:37 utc | [76](#)

Canadian Cents @ 26 -- "If Russia really wanted to get rid of Navalny (or the Skripals, for that matter) wouldn't it make more sense to just have a simple hit & run car accident, with plausible deniability, rather than to always cater so helpfully to the West's long-promoted narrative of poisoning?"

pnyx @ 44 -- "On the other hand, the permission to fly him to Berlin significantly increased Russian credibility. That diminishes the potential for propaganda."

Deal @ 50 -- "If Navalny was poisoned by Russian State operatives they would never have allowed him to leave the jurisdiction taking the evidence with him. They would've finished the job in the clinic."

Thanks. All excellent observations. The MSM presstitudes will never dream of covering these career-ending ideas.

Posted by: kiwiklown | Aug 23 2020 5:40 utc | [77](#)

m @ 74 - "... opposition people in Russia regularly die under suspicious circumstances are proven facts that can be quickly checked. I don`'t know..."

Yuppp, and similarly suspicious deaths happen in the goode olde USofA.... I wonder why....

just look at JFK.... and his brother.... and MLK.... and those Black Panther guys....

and, presently being murdered at a theatre near us, Julian Assange....

still wondering why.... wondering.... wondering....

Posted by: kiwiklown | Aug 23 2020 5:48 utc | [78](#)

How much are incidents like this picked up and run with like threaded versions of Wag the Dog movies by the media.

What is paramount is control of the global narrative. When the world stops listening to the baying of the cult puppets and buying their fiat debt, things will change. Until then, not so much.

That said the pace of empire throwing shit at the wall all over the world shows that they are desperate to maintain control....and unless they are going to blow us all to their hell, they are going to lose the power and control they have wielded for centuries. Without a top/bottom socially organized world I expect the merit based culture of China to spread and merge with what used to be the dream of the America I was taught in school.

Think of all the shit we could talk about instead of the latest Wag the Dog movie cooked up on the fly by dying empire.

Posted by: [psychohistorian](#) | Aug 23 2020 5:58 utc | [79](#)

@ kiwiklown 78

Yes exactly! There is a reason why there are myeiads of conspiracy theories about those dead. All of them are highly suspicious, too.

I agree with b and most people here that it doesn't make much sense to murder a minor opposition figure. On the other hand it also doesn't make any sense to "purge" all your army leaders right before a world war and to replace them with inexperienced men. Yet, this is exactly what Stalin has done. The head of FSB states publicly that Stalins purges had been partly justified.

Imagine the head of CIA making a controversial statement about assassinations and some time later somebody critical of the US policy dies in a suspicious car accident.

Posted by: m | Aug 23 2020 6:29 utc | [80](#)