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Competitive victimhood and memory re-elaboration: antisemitic narratives in Serbia and Croatia

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Antisemitic prejudice as a result of victimhood narratives

- ❖ Antisemitic attitudes arise from a sense of collective victimhood - a perception that one's nation has been a victim of history
- ❖ Societies that favour a victimized interpretation of their past tend to glorify their own suffering while diminishing the severity of others' suffering by portraying it as less traumatic and inferior
- ❖ The Holocaust as “the ultimate benchmark of evil” and Jews as the reference group for victimhood generates competition for recognition of suffering among those who perceive themselves as victimized (Antoniou, Dinas & Komidis 2015)

Memory appropriation in post-communist states (Subotić 2020)

- ❖ Manner of resolving the dilemma between the Western European cosmopolitan memory of the Holocaust as *the* defining memory of the 20th century
- ❖ Threatening and destabilizing for many post-communist states as it elevated and memorialized Jewish suffering to the detriment of nationalist narratives of victimization
- ❖ Symbols and imagery were appropriated so that the memory of the Holocaust came to memorialize another kind of suffering; suffering under communism or ethnic violence from other groups”

Invoking the Holocaust, both in Serbia and Croatia, as a means to demonize the aggressor and attribute “genocidal intent” intent to the aggressor both in the near and far past

- ❖ A victimisation narrative can act as an anchor and facilitate a coherent narrative of different fragments
 - Bleiburg and Jasenovac become martyrdom myths
 - Instrumentalisation and marginalisation of the Holocaust in Serbia - the Holocaust as a point of comparison and effective tool to accentuate Serb victimhood – paralleling suffering at Jasenovac, 90s wars and Kosovo
 - Holocaust discussions in Croatia complicated by lack of discussion on non-Jewish victims, specifically Serbs during WWII. Part of Croatian nationhood narratives have rested on Croat victimisation under Serb aggression and victims under communism

Criminalizing communism, conflation of totalitarian ideologies and WWII revisionism

“It is true that there were victims of fascism, but it is also true that the Croatian people suffered even more, as victims of the [Serbian WWII extreme nationalist movements] Chetniks and Communism” (President Tuđman 1991)

- ❖ Changing representations of World War II in historical memory accompanied and was in many ways constitutive of the rise of Serbian and Croatian nationalism in the late 1980s
- ❖ Reconciliation discourses in late 1980s and 1990s centered around reconciling victors and losers of WWII – not between nations but within the nation
 - ❖ In Serbia reconciling differences was not possible without rehabilitation of the Četnik movement and other non-Communists. Rehabilitation was not possible without undermining Yugoslavia
 - ❖ In Croatia - rehabilitation of the NDH and Ustaša – depicted as legitimate attempt at Croatian statehood and sovereignty. Yugoslavia portrayed as explicitly anti-Croatian and succumbing to Greater Serbia pressure

In understanding a country's fascist legacy it is crucial to observe re-elaboration of the Second World War and the collective memory of a country's role during the fascist past. Depending on the type of collective memory a country has constructed a certain level of stigmatization of the fascist past will be possible to ascertain, which in turn may provide positive or negative cultural opportunity structures for the presence of populism.

Four categories of memory re-elaboration (Manucci 2019).

- ❖ Culpabilization – condemnation of the fascist past; assuming guilt for collaboration, regime, perpetrators. High level of stigma towards fascist past.
- ❖ Heroization – strong condemnation of fascist past, but highlights a country's heroic role in opposing fascism of liberal values and democratic institutions. High degree of stigma but not equal to culpabilization.
- ❖ Cancellation – aims at forgetting the country's past by portraying itself as an external actor. A way of avoiding responsibility, based on denial. Low level of stigma towards fascist past.
- ❖ Victimization – also a way of avoiding responsibility, based on denial. Confronts the past but does so in order to reverse responsibility; applicable to countries who either directly or indirectly supported a fascist regime but ignores responsibility by positioning itself as victim. Typically constitutes a strong form of alteration, as it does not expressly condemn the past, allows for alternate, nostalgic and/or revisionist narratives to be accepted, leading to low level of stigmatization.

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- List of confirmed American, British, and other Western JEWS who orchestrated the economic collapse and downfall of Yugoslavia, creation of separatist states, bloody wars in Bosnia, Croatia, and Kosovo; demonization and bombing of Serbia, secession of Montenegro, and stealing of Kosovo.
KNOW YOUR ENEMY.
- Ok, so all of you are quick to shit on the Balkans, and rightly so - things are often fucked up here. But it wasn't always so...pic related is the real truth why we suffered.
- Jews in Israel were against Nato bombing of Serbia and jews from Israel know and share the suffering that Serbs suffered in world war 2 in Jasenovac, and they know about the shit that muslim albanians did in Kosovo and metohija, Serb holy land.



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SAMUEL BERGER JAMES RUBIN ROBERT GELBARD ANTHONY LAKE JOHN KORNBLUM



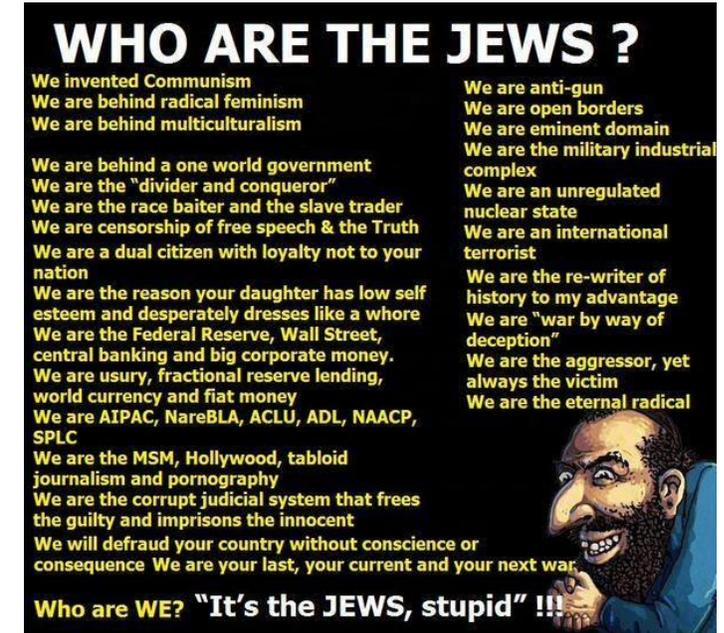
JOHN DEUTCH STUART EIZENSTAT LAURENCE SILBERMAN IRA MAGAZINER TOM LANTOS



PETER TARNOFF MALCOLM RIFKIND GERALD KAUFMAN NIGEL LAWSON LEON BRITTON



ALFRED SHERMAN PETER BENJAMIN MANDELSON MAURICE SAATCHI RICHARD GOLDSTONE SIMONE VEIL



"I stand with Israel, they are our ally and muslims are subhuman"

So somehow the jews managed to convince some people they are on "our" side.

You literal fucking retards are siding with the side that is in control of 90% of media, most of hollywood and porn industry, do you really think the people who are responsible for mass immigrations of shitskins to Europe, brainwashing kids and people with gay/trans etc. propaganda are ON YOUR side?

Arabs may be low iq and "different" than us, but they themselves don't oppose any real threat to white, or black people for that matter. (non-whites in white countries are there only because of people like jew George Soros massivle funding mass immigration)

Your enemy has always been, is, and always will be the jews, Europe for whites, Africa for blacks, middle east for arabs and HELL for jews

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Ustashas



*Ante Pavelic - leader of Croatian state, married with Jewess
Slavko Kvaternik - marshal of armed forces of Croatia, Jew
Eugen Kvaternik - main in charge of all camps in Croatia, Jew
Mile Budak - author of "plan of thirds", Freemason
Vlado Singer - head of surveillance of Croatian state, Jew
Ivo Heinrich - one of directors of Jasenovac camp, Jew
Otto Krezimir - chief of Ustasha secret police, Jew
Josip Frank - member of Party of Rights, Jew
Andrija Bethlehem - deputy of Ante Pavelic, Jew
Slavko Kvaternik - deputy of Ante Pavelic, Jew*

*Ante Altarac, Herman Shpiler,
Vladimir Bornemisa - Jewish butchers of Jasenovac camp*

We fought on the right side during WW2, we tried removing the jewish and communist plague, while you were fighting for your jewish masters, brainlesly consuming their ideology.

You can keep crying about how we killed Serbs in Jasenovac, but noone ever asks WHO were those Serbs (hint: they were communists).

Why wont Croats admit that they got jewed? Why do they larp as saviour of Evropa but when you mention most genocidal ustashe were jews they outright ignore you? Why wont they admit that this was a Jew D&C made to kill pure Balkanites? the proof is right in front of you. The plan was there for 100 years to divide us and it worked.

Our Jews were loyal and did what they had for freedom of Croatia. They were better citizens than many actual Croats and we are not ashemed of Croatian Jews that helped Croatia so you can cry about ustashe Jews all you want we don't care, they still helped our nation and we like them

❖ Philosemitism in Serbia

Serbs as Jews

Serbs and Jews
as brothers in
suffering and
eternal friends

Different categories of antisemitic narratives

- ❖ "Traditional" antisemitism – Jews as money-oriented, greedy, stingy, dirty
- ❖ Conspiracy antisemitism – "Jewish lobby" controls the world and is behind various historical and ongoing political, financial and health crises, control of the media, entertainment and porn industries
- ❖ Antisemitism in the domestic context – classical conspiracies are adjusted to domestic historical narratives – are related to historical revisionism often sparking antisemitic rhetoric of denial
 - ❖ Jews as having created communism – dissolution of Yugoslavia – orchestrating 1990s wars

Bad Blue Boys football club with banner:

We'll f**k Serbian women and children"
decorated with Ustaša symbolry & Croatian
defence forces (HOS) flags including "Za
dom spremni"



Right-wing
political rally,
Zagreb 2019
Croatian, Black
and anti-EU flags



"Action in Valjevo, Niš and Sremska Kamenica on the occasion of January 27. Our activists from Valjevo, Niš and Sremska Kamenica, on the night between January 26 and 27, wrote slogans against Jewish propaganda lies. This date is characteristic of Jewish powerful people around the world who have imposed their lies on the people and made one more day of the year dedicated to the so-called Holocaust and the memory of the "killed" victims. We Serbs, activists of the "Nacionalni stroj", strongly oppose such historical lies. If anything is celebrated today, it is Saint Sava's day, which is celebrated among people and teachers, and we will not allow any fictional stories about the Holocaust to be celebrated in the future instead of that day. The Serbian people have suffered enough and have been tortured by the Jewish hand, which, by spreading its lies, deceives the people who are not instructed in their criminal activities."

Nacionalni stroj – leader Goran Davidović Führer



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