a day ago On Thursday, the *New York Times* publicly exposed the identity of the individual who allegedly shared classified documents that exposed lies by the Biden administration and media about US involvement in Ukraine.

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In identifying the alleged source, the *Times* worked closely with Bellingcat, a US statefunded organization with close ties to the US intelligence agencies. The lead author of

the *Times* report was Aric Toler, a staff writer at Bellingcat. The action by the New York Times exposes it, yet again, as a branch of both the intelligence agencies and the police: Its reporters are agents and informers.

The leaked documents showed that US President Joe Biden lied when he said, "I will not send American servicemen to fight in Ukraine." In fact, over 70 US soldiers are deployed in Ukraine, alongside over 100 NATO special forces, according to the

The *Times* is particularly bitter because the revelations expose that it has been

promoting a false pro-war narrative.

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They also showed that the White House lied when it said, "NATO is not involved" in

the conflict, as the documents do not make a distinction between efforts to train and

damaging to the *Times* as they are to the US government. On Tuesday, White House national security spokesperson John Kirby called on the US media to exercise self-censorship, declaring, "This is information that has no business in the public domain. It has no business, if you don't mind me saying, on the front pages of newspapers, or on television. It is not intended for public consumption, and it

The US media has granted this request. In a Pentagon press briefing Thursday, there

about the contents of the leaked documents. The vast majority of questions had to do

with the identity of the leaker and what the Pentagon was doing to stop further leaks.

was not a single question directed to Pentagon spokesperson Brig. Gen. Pat Ryder

Rather than exposing, or even questioning, Biden's lies, the New York Times served to

promote the Biden administration's propaganda narrative. And the leaks are as

The first five questions addressed to Ryder included the following: • "Can you confirm that Airman First Class Jack Teixeira, a member of the Massachusetts Air National Guard, is a person of interest in this leaked document's case?"

"In the days after the leaks came to light, what steps has DOD taken to reduce the

• "In the DOD's efforts to change the way you do business in terms of protecting classified information, apart from the stuff that you do already, is that DOD-led, or is that Joint Staff-led? Who's kind of directing what on that?"

old airman was able to access some of the nation's top secrets. How did this

When a reporter asked about China's reaction to the trip by Taiwanese President Tsai

Ing-wen to the United States, Ryder responded, "Wait? What?... Read the room...

happen? And isn't this a massive security breach?"

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"General Ryder, you say that there are strict protocols in place, and yet, a 21-year-

number of people who have access to not only these classified briefings but

The *Times* claimed that Teixeira, a 21-year-old member of the intelligence wing of the Massachusetts Air National Guard, shared the documents in a private chat group with 20 or 30 people.

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The newspaper reported that it "has established, through social media posts and military records, that Airman Teixeira is enlisted in the 102nd Intelligence Wing of the

Massachusetts Air National Guard. Posts on the unit's official Facebook page

congratulated Airman Teixeira and colleagues for being promoted to Airman First

Times reporters traveled to Teixeira's house and spoke to his mother immediately

prior to the arrest: "Airman Teixeira's mother, Dawn, speaking outside her home in

Massachusetts on Thursday, confirmed that her son was a member of the Air National

Guard and said he had recently been working overnight shifts at a base on Cape Cod.

indicate they have access to far more. The Washington Post reported Thursday, "The

Post also reviewed approximately 300 photos of classified documents, most of which

While about 60 or so documents have been made public so far, US media outlets

In the last few days, he had changed his phone number, she said."

have not been made public." And the *Post* and the other media outlets are responsible for maintaining this secrecy. They are not reporting information that undermines and contradicts the official line from the Pentagon, State Department and White House. Rather, the *Post* is selectively releasing sections of the documents with an aim to

propagandist Josh Rogin declared, "The most shocking intel leak reveals new Chinese

facilitate US war propaganda. An article published Thursday by anti-China war

military advances." He wrote, "China has tested and deployed a new longer-range

hypersonic missile that is probably able to evade U.S. defenses, according to an

The rush by the US media to the defense of the White House and the Pentagon is

motivated by hostility to any genuine exposure of the crimes of US imperialism. The

overlooked top-secret document among those recently leaked."

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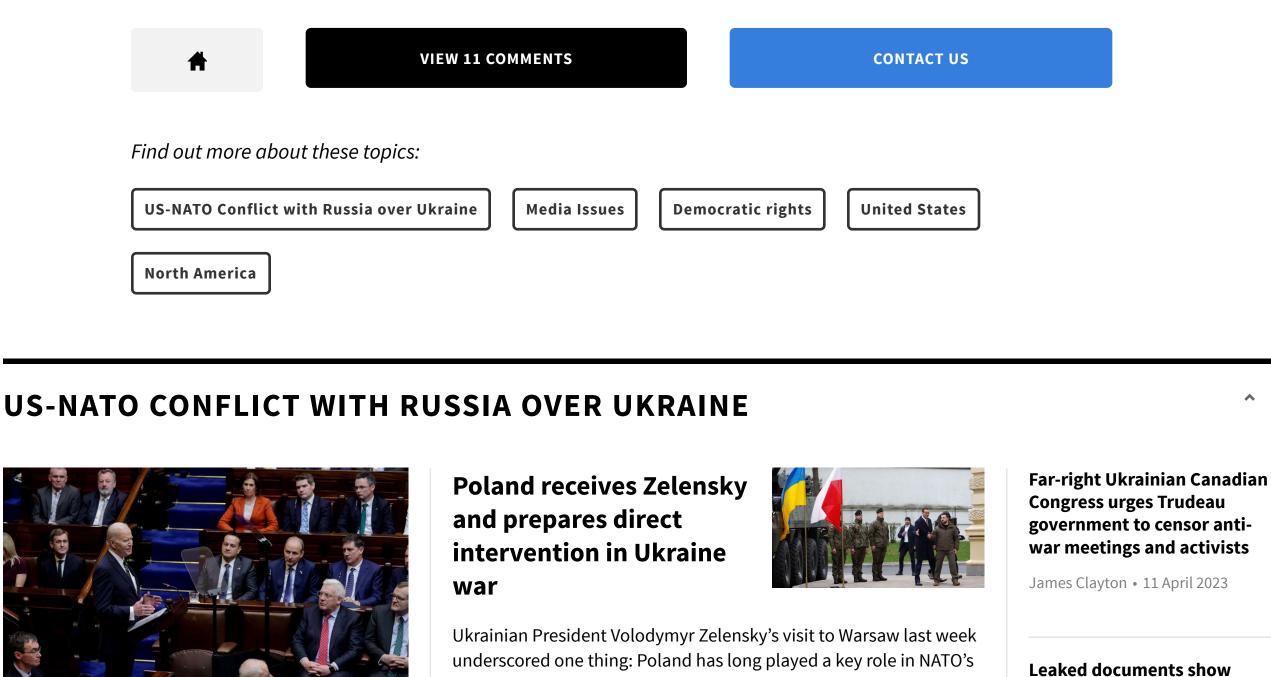
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New York Times, Washington Post and US broadcast media see their job not as exposing the crimes of the US government but as covering them up and keeping the US government's secrets. The *Times*' role in facilitating the arrest of a leaker has revealed, in vivid detail, that the American corporate press is as tightly controlled as in any dictatorship.

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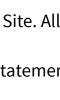
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