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Some Features of Extremism in the XXI Century

ABSTRACT
The report describes the main reasons for growing extremist moods in the society during specific point in time. According to the authors of the report, the main reason for growth of extremism at the moment are, first of all, events in Ukraine where under the likeness of struggle for democracy the atmosphere poisonous and cruelty is forming; secondly, artificial exaggeration the theme of religious extremism; thirdly, imbalance of outlooks in the society; fourthly, information wars which victims are users of information networks.

Key words: growth of extremist manifestations, events in Ukraine, substitution of moral values, imbalance of outlooks, religious extremism, information war.

In our opinion reasons for growth the extremist manifestations in XXIth century should be considered through the prism of current trends in formation of worldview orientation of young population. Among key factors affecting this process appears to be the following.

1. Events in Ukraine, as a factor of generation cruelty and poisonous in the name of struggle for democracy. Substitution of moral values, specifically, from negative to positive (propaganda of fascism, race exclusiveness). This process took about 20 years and now it turned into policy of the whole state, the former republic of the USSR worst-affected by fascism during the war. All former values are outlaw, and the crime structures took up functions of the clarifying race. The similar process already occurred in the world history after Nazi took over the government in Germany. During decades a taboo has been enforced on any similar manifestations. It has been enforced not by communist or socialist ideology, but by the entire world with its different approaches and different values. It seems that the Nuremberg process clarified all details, but, as it turned out, only temporarily. The present day criminals take up images of saints, and murder is declaring as a political sanitary measure. For to settle the local problem, to take the power, the Pandora’s Box has been opened. Moreover rehabilitation of Nazism became a weapon in a new round of geopolitical opposition. The third committee of the General Assembly of the United Nations at the initiative of Russia adopted the resolution on struggle against glorification of Nazism, only three states have opposed — the USA, Ukraine and Canada. When voting 115 states supported a vote, 55 countries, including EU, abstained. The USA and Canada, against any logic of international relations, against awards of the Nuremberg process, demonstrated solidarity with Ukraine where new approaches to assessment Nazism, revision results of the Second World War are already created. Certainly for the USA it is only a ploy, but it identifies attempt of the just another escalation on the European continent using arguments of Hitlerite Germany. During the last eighty years no racial theories have been propagandized so cynically and supported by, at the first glance, democratic and civilized countries. By the way, for the specified countries this is a delay-action mine because local radicals both in the USA and in Canada, upon sufferance of authorities, certainly will take this thesis on board. The fact of abandonment of struggle against ideas of Nazism, unwillingness to blame it, certainly will result in opening “ideological preserves” and then, already the USA, will have to put down centers of Nazism and fascism at its own place.

2. Against objectively existing threat, there is artificial exaggeration the factor of religious extremism. In doing so no targeted audience, forms of submission and levels of argumentation are taking into consideration. Against the mentioned shift of values and deformation of moral the unreasoned and massed submission of such information operates in contrary. The present day for a certain part of young people the radical religious extremism is attractive; it involves them in extremist and terrorist organizations all over the world. Social conditions, difficulties, crisis are pushing young people who often have no religious bias, to radical changes in the way of life. Violent regularly demonstrated in mass media and the Internet makes a contribution to growth of aggression among young people. The present day nobody can tell with confidence how much citizens of Russia joined to religious extremists. One fool makes many, and under this logic, we can expect increase in recruits in such militarized structures. Principles of colonizers of America who withdrew indigenous population are taken on board. The similar processes though less dangerous on their consequences, we observed in the 60th when the hippie movement, as a form of protest against reality, started up. At the present time this process took a shape, got its infrastructure, technology and will extend, if cardinal measures for blocking these processes would not be found.

3. Germ of extremism appears if there is an imbalance on poles of world outlook approaches; when one point of view pretends to be an exclusive one. Advocate of a strong state against liberals, Westerners against Slavophil, Protestants against Catholics, Shiite against Sunnite. When in the mirror of public relations proportions lighting are broken, when public officials have no thought of
existence of the Constitution of the Russian Federation and start to play on problems and contradictions, losing elementary sense of proportion. As a result we are beginning to notice formation of extremism caused by unreasoned actions of authorities; and frequently by frankly damaging actions of officials who are creating a problem from scratch, owing to ambitions and dullness; when any decisions affecting personal interests and rights of citizens are taken without their participation or basing on mythical public opinion. There are lots of examples as in recent years people, who for certain can be classified as architects of the Maidan in Russia, are engaged in creation conditions for protest and centers of social excitement.

They exist in any area. In health care, reducing hospitals, closing policlinics and dismissing personnel. In education, in the law-enforcement sphere, creating new obstacles for realization rights of citizens on many types of service. But, without doubt, majority of such potential (or real) architects are engaged in sorting out the mess on the streets, organization car parking. Their activity is nothing but intended increasing of confrontation between citizens and the power. All their work is basing on violation of the Constitution of the Russian Federation, declaring inviolability of private property, artificial abasement of human dignity. If the fact of recovery of cars in abeyance can be qualified as a theft, then facts recovery cars in the presence of owner are qualifying as robbery. Artificial forcing of this situation reached the point where structures of counteraction are forming. In Krasnodar recovery vehicles are burning, in Moscow wheels are cutting and threats of physical violence are addressing to drivers and officials.

Just increase of potential on one pole results in multiple potential on other. And respondent here is not any particular official but power vertical structure as a whole. Accumulation of negative energy results in its slippage it in the cruelest and anti-state forms.

The December armed uprising in 1905 stared after several workers have been dismissed; and there were grounds for such dismissal. But the atmosphere has been impregnated with such powerful protest that there was no difference for masses what will be used as detonator.

It is obvious that any power always is irritating. But in recent years we can see an artificial forcing in the most different forms. Shocking disclosures and no reaction, even no facts checking, it looks as if the virus of extremism is stimulating intentionally. Good intentions are very dangerous thing. And not only because the road to hell is paved with good intentions but because the dose of such intentions should be intended for a certain targeted group, be strictly measured and politically verified. If there is a mistake in a dose or in address, there will be a pandemic of the event!

4. Very often growth of extremism is associating with information wars. One can’t help but wonder: what the war is? This is a collision of armies, ideologies and arguments. What occurred at the present day, each of us is fighting for his part. What influence on us has the “war” which takes place on pages and screens of EU? Or in the USA? Or in Ukraine? No influence! We acquire information submitted to us by newspapers, radio and television. They (on the West) also do not read our newspapers and do not see our TV. Everybody has his own war in own kitchen garden, and missiles failed to reach even a battle line. However the core of lose information war is that we adopt another person’s experience which efficiency we failed to investigate. We are investigating: their estimations of their experience! They are making myths about themselves, and we are staring to believe in it. We are like donkeys who are reaching after carrot which is in front of us! In fact all their technologies for us are a primitive and rough propaganda. Long ago it should terminate to consider the USA as “acme of perfection” and to take as a threat against which we are to create our (!) principles and structures. Otherwise nothing will get done, because it is necessary to struggle using by our own efforts, means and possibilities. And not apply their samples. In fact, we are making shoots from distorting barrel at ours. If you ask any “theorists of information wars”, they will not specify you our victories in the information war. They will say that we lost everything. But for the sole reason that they simply do not know these victories. And the battles we won are unknown to them. We are sure that our experience in information wars is wider than the West one. It is just simpler to tell about someone else’s, in fact playing on their glade.

The present day this feeling became sharper. Sanctions imposed against Russia, the western politicians are calling for solution of the conflict by force. And in Russia there are such shops as “Militarist Shop. Uniform of NATO countries”. There are problems with supplies products from abroad, but military uniform — here it is! But uniform of the countries which by today declared themselves as our ENEMIES. It is very pity that exactly this uniform is bought ... by those who are defending Russianness — participants of “Russian marches” are sporting in American and German combat boots! In jackets and trousers of German or American army with stripes they failed to cut off! And in this uniform they are struggling for the Russian people!