

Canada's Mark Carney admits 'rules based order' was a fraud

The Grayzone's Max Blumenthal and Aaron Mate on the hypocrisy EU and Canadian leaders put on display at the latest gathering of the World Economic Forum in Davos, as they attempted to push back on Trump's bid to steal Greenland from Denmark. ||| The Grayzone ||| Find more reporting at <https://thegrayzone.com> Support our original journalism at Patreon: <https://patreon.com/grayzone> Facebook: <https://facebook.com/thegrayzone> Twitter: <https://twitter.com/thegrayzonenews> Instagram: <https://instagram.com/thegrayzonenews> Minds: <https://minds.com/thegrayzone> Mastodon: <https://mastodon.social/@thegrayzone> #TheGrayzone

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The World Economic Forum convened this week in Davos, Switzerland—the gathering place of the transatlantic 1%—without any Iranian representatives allowed to appear. However, Israeli genocidal officials were allowed to attend, as was Jared Kushner, who presented his plan for biometric concentration camps, the so-called master plan for Gaza. Also present was Ahmed al-Sharab, the former co-founder of ISIS and founder of al-Qaeda in Syria, who is now Syria's president. He was once greeted at the White House with Trump cologne sprayed on him by the U.S. president and is now on a rampage in northeastern Syria.

All of these figures were there at Davos, and the anger and rancor that defined this meeting boiled down to Donald Trump's announced plan to take over an iceberg called Greenland, which belongs to Denmark, as part of the Don Roe Doctrine to completely control the Western Hemisphere. The Europeans are now up in arms, and Canadian Prime Minister Mark Carney delivered probably the most memorable speech at Davos, declaring essentially that Trump has now proven, with his plan to take over Greenland and his insults toward the European leaders standing in his way, that the rules-based order was always a fraud.

#Mark

We understand that this rupture calls for more than adaptation. It calls for honesty about the world as it is. We're taking the sign out of the window. We know the old order isn't coming back, and we shouldn't mourn it. Nostalgia is not a strategy. But we believe that from this fracture we can build something bigger, better, stronger, and more just. This is the task of the middle powers—the countries that have the most to lose from a world of fortresses and the most to gain from genuine cooperation. The powerful have their power, but we have something too: the capacity to stop

pretending, to name reality, to build our strength at home, and to act together. That is Canada's path. We choose it openly and confidently, and it's a path wide open to any country willing to take it with us. Thank you very much.

#Aaron

So what prompted him to renounce the so-called rules-based international order? It's Trump trying to steal Greenland. It wasn't Gaza, which Mark Carney and his government supported. So that's what has caused him to be so upset with the global order, right? I'm not missing anything here—that's what this is.

#Max

When did he say—did he speak out before? I mean, when did he speak out about Gaza being a calamitous violation of the rules-based order? Yeah. No. Why was this the moment? Mark Carney's Canada supplied Israel with a de facto air bridge of tech and weapons to assist it in its genocide against Gaza. Mark Carney, who is a former governor of the Bank of England—which participated in the theft of \$20 billion in gold from Venezuela—supported, or at least failed to speak up against, the U.S. kidnapping of a head of state, Nicolás Maduro, paving the way for Trump to do it again, or for any powerful country to kidnap a head of state. Where were the Europeans? They supported it. The Europeans supported Israel's genocide.

The Europeans cracked down on their own citizens for opposing it. Where are the Europeans? They supported every coup in Haiti. Canada supported the coup against Aristide in Haiti. I mean, you can talk about Canada as much as I can—it's your home and native land. When did they ever stand up against any of these violations of the rules-based order? But Mark Carney is now saying, "We went along with it because we benefited from it. And now they're going after white people. We can't allow that. We can't allow them to take on our European allies. They're coming after us." So they were totally selfish before, and they're selfish now. They stand for nothing. And that was the message out of Davos.

#Aaron

Remember, they gave a Nazi war criminal a standing ovation in Parliament a few years ago—"Nazigate"—when they were also welcoming Zelensky. But finally, Trump trying to take Greenland was a bridge too far. Really, though, Trump trying to take Greenland is the culmination of Europe totally subordinating itself to "Daddy," as Mark Rutte calls Trump. They all went along with the proxy war in Ukraine. They weaned themselves off Russian energy, which had powered so much of Europe—especially Germany, the economic engine of Europe. And the U.S. rewarded them by basically humiliating them, calling them weak, and Trump trying to push through the forced theft of

Greenland. They're talking right now about reaching some sort of compromise, but I think Trump will get it. I think Trump will ultimately get what he wants. And Europe brought this on themselves by totally subverting themselves to the U.S. long before Trump came along.

#Max

That's such a great point. I mean, you could really go back to Euromaidan. It was called Euromaidan in 2014 because the EU was driving it—along with Victoria Nuland. But remember what Victoria Nuland said in her notorious phone call: "F the EU."

#Aaron

Exactly. Exactly.

#Max

What was she saying? "F the EU." They won't get cheap gas anymore. They won't have one of their top resource-trading partners. They'll be completely cut off from Russia. But "F the EU." So the EU doesn't have anywhere else to turn but to Daddy—the United States—as Daddy takes them out to the woodshed and smacks them over the buttocks with a rusty shovel. I mean, Trump just went there and humiliated them, and they have nowhere else to turn because they can't consolidate as a region and be independent. The whole point of the EU—the whole point of the EU—is to neuter European sovereignty.

#Aaron

Just from an energy perspective, they're such chumps. They cut off the Nord Stream pipelines.

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They didn't cut it off. They allowed—according to the official story—Ukraine to bomb their own critical infrastructure. And they were like, "Come on in, welcome, Zelensky, we love you."

#Aaron

But they still need the energy. So they're still getting some Russian energy, just now through third parties, which means they pay a markup to get it from someone else. Not getting it directly from Russia just means they still get some of the same energy—although far less of it—but now at a higher price. Meanwhile, to make up for the Russian gas they're not getting, they buy LNG from the U.S., which is much more expensive. So they've bankrupted themselves, made themselves even more dependent on the U.S., tried to suck up to Trump by calling him "Daddy," as Mark Rutte did, and then Daddy comes in, steals their land, and calls them weak.

So, I mean, I've never seen more of an own goal in geopolitical history—at least that I can think of in recent memory—than what the Europeans have done to themselves. And by the way, Nuland not only said “F the EU” when she was helping to organize the Ukraine coup; after the coup, when Europe tried to show some independence with the Minsk Accords—with France and Germany taking the lead and trying to broker an end to the war that began because they went along with the Maidan coup—Nuland met on the sidelines of the Munich Security Conference. This was in early 2015. She met with people like Mike Pompeo and John McCain, and they all basically decided they were going to stop the Minsk Accords. And that's exactly what happened, with Europe's acquiescence—and so here we are today.

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Here we are: EU Commissioner Ursula von der Leyen says, “Territorial integrity and sovereignty are fundamental principles of international law. They’re essential for Europe and the international community as a whole. We have a shared transatlantic interest in peace and security in the Arctic, including through NATO.” And then she denounces tariffs, saying Europe will remain united, coordinated, and committed to upholding its sovereignty. Sorry, you were never upholding your sovereignty, as we’ve explained. And you never supported territorial integrity and sovereignty for other countries under international law. Look at what you’ve been saying about Iran. She didn’t protest Nicolás Maduro’s kidnapping whatsoever. She fully supported Israel in Gaza. I mean, the hypocrisy is off the charts.