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WHAT DOES THE GREENLAND CONTROVERSY REVEAL ABOUT NATO?

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Segment.01 Hello. I'm Dr. Jerry Scheidbach, pastor of the Lighthouse Baptist Church in Santa Maria, CA, and your brain masseur. Get ready for your brain massage.

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What has the Greenland controversy revealed about NATO?

[The controversy: Greenland is part of the Kingdom of Denmark. However, its status is unique: Greenland is a “self-governing territory within the Kingdom of Denmark, with full control over its governance, with representation in the Danish parliament. Denmark officially recognizes Greenland as a “people with the right to self-determination,” having their own language, borders, and customs. In the current arrangement, Greenland accepts Denmark’s retention of Greenland’s defense, foreign affairs, and currency. Furthermore, Greenland/Denmark is a member of NATO and is a presumed ally of the US.

Why does Trump want the US to own Greenland? Why is he saying things like all options are on the table, including military intervention?

Greenland has for millennia been regarded as a wasteland and has always had a small population¹ — currently about 60k on a landmass of ~836 thousand sq. miles, 81% of which is covered in

¹ A people identified in history as the Saqqaq are regarded as the first indigenous people of Greenland (2500-800 BC). The Saqqaq derived from Siberia, and are genetically distinct from modern Inuit (Eskimos). The Dorset people succeeded the Saqqaq in parts of Greenland and coexisted with remnants of the Saqqaq. The Dorset people disappeared from Greenland about AD 1300.

ice. That leaves only about 159,000 square miles of reasonably habitable land. The entire landmass of Greenland is about 4.5 times smaller than the US and 14 times smaller than Africa. Needless to say, there has never been a great interest in Greenland.

The backstory is interesting and helpful.

Erik the Red led settlers from Norway into Greenland in AD c985. Unofficially, Greenland became part of Norway. It was of no importance to anyone, and the relationship was assumed. Denmark and Norway were united under a single monarch in AD 1380. Later, Sweden was united with Denmark and Norway by what is called the Kalmar Union (AD 1397). Greenland and Iceland followed Norway into this union. By the time Erik the Red arrived, the island was virtually uninhabited. Centuries later, Inuit people (the Eskimos) migrated from Canada into Greenland (AD c1200).

In AD 1814, after the Kalmar Union (Norway, Denmark (with Greenland and Iceland), and Sweden) joined Napoleon. When Napoleon lost his throne, the Kalmar Union broke up and a new treaty was formed—the Treaty of Kiel. Norway ceded to Sweden, and Greenland went with Denmark. This completed the transfer of Greenland from Norway to Denmark and is cited as Denmark's legal claim to Greenland.

Greenland was governed by Denmark throughout what is called the Colonial Period (1814-1953). In 1953, Denmark amended its Constitution, incorporating Greenland into the Kingdom of Denmark and granting Greenland representation in its Parliament. At this point, Greenland was annexed by Denmark and its status changed from a colony to a county.

However, in 1979, Denmark recognized the rights of the Greenlandic people to take over some aspects of their governance, while Denmark retained control of defense, foreign affairs, and currency. In 2009, Denmark adopted the Self-Government Act of 2009, greatly expanding Greenland's autonomy. Denmark

recognized Greenlandic as the official language of Greenland and explicitly recognized Greenlanders as “a people with the right of self-determination.” Denmark officially recognized the Greenlandic people's right to become fully independent of Denmark should they choose to do so.

Greenland has exercised their autonomy and shown some independence from Denmark. For example, Denmark is part of the European Union, but Greenland withdrew from the European Union in 1985. Important note: Greenland did not have a vote in 1973, so it was automatically enrolled as an EU member when Denmark entered, even though Greenland voted against it. When Greenland obtained home rule in 1979, it immediately moved to vote to leave the EU, but remained connected to Denmark. The issue was that Greenland wanted control over their territorial waters. Greenland has asserted their autonomy from Denmark before, and is within its legal rights to determine whether or not it will align with the US.

If Denmark recognized Greenland's right to represent its own interests in the matter of membership in the European Union (a Foreign Affairs question affecting domestic interests), it should recognize Greenland's right to negotiate with the US on matters of Security relative to its own interests. But here are my concerns about all of this.

I think it was Teddy Roosevelt who said his rule of leadership was to speak softly but carry a big stick. Trump ought not have to shake his “big stick” at those we should presume are our friends and allies to get them to do what is right! Trump has been exposing the hidden, ugly side of NATO for quite a while—it began with his complaint against NATO members for failing to meet the recommended 2% of their GDP into military preparedness. Instead, I think everyone, except Poland, threw the burden of European security almost entirely on the American taxpayer. Well, hold on;

let's see — Okay, of course, the US, also the UK, Greece, and Estonia, with the US leading the way, and Poland leading the rest.

(Then ChatGPT listed Germany, France, Italy, Canada, Spain, Belgium, the Czech Republic, Luxembourg, Iceland, and others as failing to meet this expectation. I noticed that Chat did not mention the Danes, even though we had extensive conversations about Denmark, and usually, ChatGPT answers successive questions in the context of the prior conversation. I had to enter a separate query, and it was weird because the super intelligent Chat GPT, while confessing Denmark did not begin increasing their military spending until after Trump began pointing this out, when I asked, has Denmark agreed to step up to the 5% challenge, it couched the answer in ambiguity: “Denmark has not formally pledged to aim for the full 5% GDP itself on a standalone basis.”

What does that mean? I asked, and Chat responded by essentially repeating itself; so I pointed out that it was using “by itself” extraneously; the phrase did not add clarification to the answer and, in fact, obfuscated the fact that, plainly and flatly, Denmark has not agreed to work toward the 5% goal. It was weird! Anyway, finally, Chat agreed it had introduced confusion by inserting the extraneous phrase and said what was apparently hard for it to say and that is, Denmark has not agreed to shoot for the 5% threshold — and I have trouble believing AI is so stupid it would inadvertently obscure a simple statement, but I do believe its programming is sufficiently sophisticated to purposely obscure a simple fact. I've documented many examples of AI leaning left in its framing and sympathies, so for the present, I am forced to conclude the programmers are lefties. Expect AI to frame responses with a politically Leftward bias, and to couch its responses in a manner that demonstrates sympathetic protection of that bias.)

Denmark is on record as being less than serious about Greenland's security and as unresponsive to US concerns about Greenland's strategic importance to US National Security.

And that brings me to my point! Not only is Denmark unresponsive to US National Security concerns, but neither are other NATO allies.

Here is an alarming headline: WORLD NEWS X-POSTED: “In a stunning escalation, Danish and allied NATO troops have begun pouring into Nuuk, Greenland’s capital, after Danish PM Mette Frederiksen declared that Greenland remains firmly under Danish sovereignty and autonomy — and any attack would trigger NATO Article 5.”² Well, okay, it is an important development, but let’s add some context: it amounts to about 30-40 personnel. 15 from France, 13 from Germany, 3 officers from Sweden, 2 from Norway, 2 liaison personnel from Finland, 1 officer from the UK, 1 from the Netherlands.³ All are present at the invitation of Denmark.

The US currently posts about 200 troops in Greenland, which is pretty evenly matched by Danish troops—150-200 personnel (military and civilian). In 2025, Denmark conducted an exercise involving 550 participants over several weeks during the summer and fall. These were temporary training events. [IBID.]

More recently, the Danes have increased their military presence in Greenland, including aircraft, naval assets, and foot soldiers, and have conducted more military exercises as part of a broader effort to establish a more sustained presence. [IBID.]

² 1073.6.1-(3) WORLD NEWS on X_  JUST IN_ In a stunning escalation, Danish and allied NATO troops have begun pouring into Nuuk, Greenland's capital, after Danish PM Mette Frederiksen declared that Greenland remains firmly under Danish sovereignty and autonom <https://x.com/ MAGA NEWS /status/2011782064031547738?s=20>

³ 1073.0.0-ARGUING WITH THE ALGORITHM OF. CHAT — ON GREENALND (1) https://chatgpt.com/s/t_696a931a5ed881919066994dbb57ed1a

Our allies in the region seem to, in one voice, push back against Trump's claim that Russian and Chinese military operations are active in Greenland's territorial waters.⁴ The trick, however, is to frame the question specifically about the military presence in ports or on Greenland's soil. The fact is, a Russian military presence is for sure, and the very real possibility of Chinese military activity exists; we would be fools to ignore this, especially in view of the outrageous statements we have received from Military commanders in China and Russia over the years.

However, over the last decade at least, Russia has heavily militarized the Arctic region with hundreds of military installations gathered in north-western Russia, near Greenland, and positioned to strike the US.⁵ This is not surprising given the history of fear and suspicion between our respective countries. One thing must be remembered, however. America has never made any broad threats to attack Russia, but Russia has a history of declaring its intentions to destroy America. Nevertheless, there are no suspected or confirmed permanent Russian military bases in Greenland. Nevertheless, Russia has a high military profile in the Arctic and an extensive sea presence there. Its military deployments are a very easy distance from Greenland and the US, that is, what's left of it from their war with Ukraine.

China has expressed a keen interest in Greenland's strategic position—curious, since the only strategic advantage China could gain from Greenland would be relevant to any interest they might have in joining Russia in an attack on the US, or in defending Russia and China from an attack by the US against Russia.

⁴ 1073.6.3-No Russian or Chinese Vessels Near Greenland Nordics Tell Trump in Stunning Rebuke to US President _ r_thenextgenbusiness https://www.reddit.com/r/thenextgenbusiness/comments/1qaw036/no_russian_or_chinese_vessels_near_greenland/?utm_source=chatgpt.com

⁵ 1073.6.2-Greenland in the Crosshairs_ Arctic Power Plays and Polar Politics - The Soufan Center https://thesoufancenter.org/intelbrief-2025-april-4/?utm_source=chatgpt.com

Otherwise, China has spoken about their interest in the mineral resources there, such as rare earths.⁶

Denmark has only very recently begun to show interest in Greenland's security, and it appears they are more concerned about America than Russia or China. Also, it appears Denmark is benefiting significantly from Russian and Chinese interest in Greenland. [IBID.]

You should know that Greenland has opened a representative office in Beijing (2021) to establish diplomatic engagement with the goal to attract foreign investment into Greenland.⁷ Denmark, however, did block the Chinese from entering into contracts with Greenland to build airports there. In other words, there are US-friendly Danes, and US-friendly Greenlanders, and there are those in Greenland and in Denmark who are unfriendly to the US.

With this in view, and the knowledge that the majority in the Denmark Parliament, and in Greenland, have shown little or no inclination to beef up Greenlandic security until the US President began pointing out the threat this poses to US Security interests, is troubling. It appears Denmark is more concerned about America acquiring Denmark than they are about Russia or China using Denmark to stage an attack on the US, because the only time Denmark has gotten serious about establishing a military presence in Greenland, and the only time our NATO allies have showed any inclination to fortify Greenland is when the US started complaining about the problem this poses for America, and then, only when Trump suggested a military option was on the table.

⁶ 1073.6.4-China Steps up Its Mining Interests in Greenland – The Diplomat https://thedi diplomat.com/2019/02/china-steps-up-its-mining-interests-in-greenland/?utm_source=chatgpt.com

⁷ 1073.6.5-Greenland - The People's Map of Global China https://thepeoplesmap.net/country/greenland/?utm_source=chatgpt.com

The ugly truth about NATO is that the alliance provided a wall of protection funded by American blood and treasure—but when America expresses a national security concern, they lock arms to oppose the US.

The Danes were among those who failed to meet the 2% GDP target for all NATO members until Trump increased pressure on NATO during his first term, and they continue to lag behind in committing to increasing military spending to 5%. They have established a near-zero military buffer between Russia and the US and have been reluctant, if not obstinate, in their recognition of the US's legitimate concerns about Russia's and China's military build-up and presence in the Arctic.

As for what the Greenland controversy has revealed about NATO, it quickly devolved into a safety net for European nations, funded almost entirely by the American taxpayer and American blood. Wicked and unreasonable leaders of this country encouraged an arrogant disrespect for the US, leading to almost total disregard for American security concerns. Trump saw this, spoke to it, brought his big stick along, and it stirred things up, showing me that NATO will quickly align itself against America before it will take a hard line against the nations NATO was organized to protect them from. What's that about? Hmmm!

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Segment.02 Hello. Welcome back! I'm Dr. Jerry Scheidbach, pastor at the Lighthouse, your brain masseur, and Paul Revere's lantern lighter, lighting the lamps in the church belfry arch, signaling the enemy is on the march—an enemy that would steal from us our liberty.

To summarize the first segment: Friend, it looks to me like NATO has, in large part, become a tool for the globalist Nimrod Tower builders and is all interested in using America as a shield for their interests but uninterested in protecting US interests. Will NATO collapse?

This is a very important question in light of how things are shaping up as Trump increases pressure on the enemies of freedom and liberty in the world that NATO was formed to address. There needs to be a refocus of NATO's purpose. For too long, NATO has gone along with the Obama agenda to transform America into subservience to the Globalist agenda and some of the larger allies, like Germany, France, and the UK have been deeply infiltrated by Globalist-Tower builders, ragers against Christ and His rule over the kings of the earth.⁸ We must pray God will lead our President to strengthen the wall of protection NATO used to provide against the enemies of freedom and liberty in this world. Trump is exposing the fissures in that wall, and a realignment is needed!

I've spent almost all my time exploring what the Greenland controversy reveals about the weaknesses that have developed in NATO, so I'll just overview other items of interest. But everything going on in our country, and in Iran, Mexico, and Europe actually speak to how important it is that we secure Greenland against the rising threat of Islam as a tool the Globalists want to use to break down freedom and liberty and raise the tower of antichrist against Western culture, and against America.

Let's start with one of our oldest and most stalwart allies, the UK. The days of Reagan teaming up with Thatcher are gone. Now the Labour Party is talking about arresting Brits for waving the British flag in their own country. Here is Susanna Pressel, Labour Councillor for Oxfordshire, railing against Brits for raising Britain's

⁸ Revelation 1:5, "Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth."

flag as being “absolutely appalling,” calling on police to remove the flags and arrest anyone who runs it up after British Police remove the British flag from flying in Britain. Listen here!⁹

At the same time, Britain is preparing for war, enacting laws that allow its government to raise the age of conscription into the military to 65. They are bowing the knee to Islam while preparing for war with Russia!

Mexico has refused to allow the CIA and US Special Forces to operate in Mexico against the Cartels, so we know whose side Sheinbaum is on. She does nothing about the Cartels and defends them against American forces.¹⁰ This is intolerable!

Iran participated in joint naval exercises near South Africa with China, Russia, and the UAE. What? With what’s going on between the US and Iran right now? South Africa has begun investigating Iran’s participation in these exercises after the US brought to their attention that Iran extended their participation beyond “observer status.”¹¹ The potential of US intervention increases! We are praying for the Iranians—China is nervous! If “the people” succeed at breaking the iron grip of the Ayatollah’s, the Chinese people might come to understand that when an oppressed people rise up with one voice and say, “Give me Liberty, or give me death,” it's game over for the tyrants.

Let’s see, how’s my time! Okay, get this. The upcoming elections are absolutely critical and the battle over election integrity is raging in the US right now. A decision by the SCOTUS has removed the trick of claiming a candidate, or voters, have “no standing” when filing a

⁹ <https://x.com/BasilTheGreat/status/2011816797943562740?s=20>

¹⁰ 1073.6.6-Sheinbaum declined Trump's offer to send US Army to Mexico https://mexiconewsdaily.com/politics/sheinbaum-declined-trump-offer-us-army-mexico/?utm_source=chatgpt.com

¹¹ 1073.6.7-South Africa investigates Iran's participation in naval drills off its coast _ AP News <https://apnews.com/article/iran-south-africa-united-states-military-warships-a42810b272de325eae7d7ef6708226ce>

case disputing an election outcome when States, or counties, refuse to obey Federal Law that says elections are to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November. If they extend the count beyond that, and receive votes cast after that Constitutional deadline, those objecting to changing the results of a legal election can not have their case thrown out for “lack of standing.” Remember that nonsense? That happened over and over after the 2020 election.

The SCOTUS ruled 7-2 that Democrats can't ignore Federal Law. From AG Harmeet Dhillon, “The Supreme Court just ruled a GOP Congressional candidate can challenge blue-state mail in voting laws.” Now we can fight back against this nonsense of counting ballots weeks after Election Day.¹²

Think of it! The ruling was 7-2 — Kagan voted with the majority. Thomas Fitton, with Judicial Watch, led the charge on this and did an outstanding job.

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I have lit the lamps in the Church belfry arch, and now you let me know if you see them.

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You can leave a message on our Listener Response Hotline: 805.314.2114.

God bless you. God bless America! I'll see you in Church.

¹² https://x.com/officer_Lew/status/2011840600199303403?s=20