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Our ref. : L15001, **Open Letter from the heart of Slovakia**
Your ref. :

Dear Mr. Barack Obama, President of the U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Stephen Harper, Prime Minister of Canada

These days we are commemorating the **70th anniversary of the end of the Second World War** and at the same time standing on the doorstep of a **new cold war**.

The annexation of Crimea by the Russian Federation in Ukraine carries all the features of a hybrid war. The hybrid war doctrine was defined by the current chief of the **Russian General Command Valerij Gerasimov as the focus on warfare and conflicts created in some people's minds in order to achieve the splitting of society**. This is also in our two post communist brotherlike countries, Slovakia and the Czech Republic, very well obvious. **There is still about 30-40% of our population grieving over the fall of socialism, hating „The West“, especially the policy of the U.S.A and supporting the policy of the Kremlin.**

Right these days the Canada-American company Westinghouse is making an effort to implement the building of new generation-plasma gasification plants. Heretofore there are only 2 of them in China, 2 in India and another 2 in Japan, all of them situated in big industrial zones, far away from people's residences. **We have got the knowledge that the U.S.A and Canada as well have rejected all the attempts to start building them up in their territory.**


Some engaged businesses in our country are trying hard to receive initial approval of constructing several gasification plants from state institutions. Why is this happening right here, in our two small countries? In spite of clientelism and corruption here we are meant to be developed well enough for not providing you just with reference letters relating to quality of gasification plants working in our area so that they could be later a crucial factor in the process of considering all the pros and cons for you to start or to give up constructing the plants in the North America. Our citizens do not want to be just a guinea-pig for you.

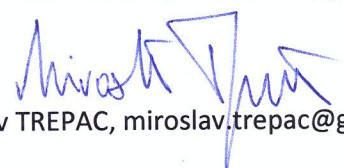
As affairs stand today in our countries, there has already been a **huge civic revolt against the gasification plants here**. So far they are not going to be built up, luckily. Anyway, both the American and Canadian policies seem to be in terms of the hybrid war doctrine very counterproductive in this regard. **Even people, who once used to support the U.S.A, now are losing trust in them. The society is splitting right the way the Kremlin has wished it to do.**

You also have to be aware of one more point: **both of our countries lie in a so-called buffer zone between the East and the West.**

This is to ask you kindly to do your best to avoid testing a gasification plant and to **stop such projects here. All this for keeping peace on the old continent.**

Best regards,


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