

Role of social media in 5th Generation Warfare

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Abstract

This research paper conceptualizes the use and role of social media in 5th generation warfare in present era. From global powers to third world countries, this secret and devastating war is being fought in different forms and manifestations. The role of social media in 5th generation warfare is pivotal and far-reaching. The use of social media has greatly enhanced the tactical effectiveness of 5th generation warfare. Social media provides a green ground and solid pitch to players to mount devastating assaults over adversaries in the fields of politics, economy, diplomacy and many more. To compile the said research paper, various academic and scholarly sources were consulted to extract relevant data. Google, Twitter, YouTube, and other social, print, and electronic media archives have provided an enriched and enormous help to the authors in publishing this disquisition. It is hoped that the reader will acquire useful knowledge and insight into the topic of discussion after perusal of our worthy thesis paper.

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Introduction

Like every other aspect of human life in this universe, wars too have undergone tremendous modification with the passage of time. The present era is witnessing evolution of 5th generation warfare from 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th generations, when from swords and artilleries to nuclear bombs have danced in the battlefields of the history. The modus operandi of 5th generation warfare is the dissemination of misinformation and propaganda to achieve the desired goals. Basic notion of this war lies on the proposition that “perceptions are stronger than realities”⁴, so, distort the perceptions of your enemy and let him die his own death. This dirty work has been made easy by social media platforms like Linked-in, Facebook, Twitter, TikTok, and many more. From Russia to USA and India to North Korea, social media is being laboriously employed to subdue opponents in order to achieve political, social, military and tactical objectives. At international level, this game is being played relentlessly to humiliate, demoralize and isolate the enemy.

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⁴ T’Serstevens, François, Giulia Piccillo, and Alexander Grigoriev. 2022. “Fake News Zealots: Effect of Perception of News on Online Sharing Behavior.” *Frontiers in Psychology* 13 (July). doi.org/10.3389/fpsyg.2022.859534.

Global powers are heavily investing in the development of online technology tools and media giants to be better able to prey upon adversaries. Some scholars call it ‘Silent war’⁵ as no one knows who is fighting against whom from behind the dark curtains of the internet world. Only objectives are visible but not the fighters, who are well equipped with the weapon of social media. According to an estimate, there are 4.80 billion users of social media around the globe⁶, Which make social media connectivity apps a fertile battleground for ploughing the minds of people. Youth is being impacted a lot in the ongoing 5th generation warfare. This war is a war of ideologies, where whole society is involved without adequate knowledge. A teenager with digital gadgets is as dangerous as an infantry soldier with gun in hand, standing on the frontline. Sensible nations are well aware of this hallmark menace of the 21st century, and various steps are being taken to discourage and guard against it. But this is not up to a single state to fight alone, as cogent and synergic efforts at the global level are the need of time to root out the problem of digital 5th generation war.

Understanding 5th Generation Warfare, When It Comes to Social Media Arena

Renowned Chinese General, Sun Tzu, quotes in his famous book; *The Art of War*, “Every battle is won before it is fought”. So, in the line with this philosophy, propaganda and misinformation have been chosen as the basic ingredients of 5th generation warfare. Clyde Miller, an American journalist defines Propaganda as “An expression of opinion or action by individuals or groups deliberately designed to influence opinions or actions of other individuals or groups with reference to predetermined ends”.⁷ Similarly, psychologist Elizabeth Loftus, an influential researcher on the study of false memories, says “An impairment in the memory for the past occurs, after being exposed to misleading information”.⁸ Resultantly, an amalgamation of both these factors is put into the course of action to dispirit enemy before being attacked physically. Though, there exists print and electronic media, yet we cannot negate the importance and use of social media in 5th generation warfare. The cost of war over social media to counter enemy is much less than that of traditional wars. Therefore, in order to save time, money and identity, global powers are resorting to this microelectronic tool. Not only states but unscrupulous elements, like non-state actors, terrorists, insurgents and separatists have been using social media sites to annihilate their targets since last 20 years⁹. Social media is increasingly becoming a hub of online recruitment and hiring activities by unlawful elements, organizations and revolutionaries all over

⁵ <https://www.eurozine.com/understanding-the-silent-war>

⁶ www.datareportal.com

⁷ Clyde Miller; Defined Propaganda in the first bulletin of Institute for Propaganda Analysis in 1939

⁸ Psychologist Elizabeth Loftus’s TED Lecture; “How Reliable is Your Memory.”

⁹ <https://pakistanpolitico.com/fifth-generation-warfare-and-the-challenges-for-pakistan>

the world.¹⁰ It is an admitted fact that propaganda and misinformation cannot be peddled as much better through other means than social media, because social media possesses greater audience. Social media applications are used to spread rumors, share videos for crushing images and destroying reputations along with blackmailing people.¹¹ Online stalking, identity theft and wrong use of data and information are the most heinous crimes committed in the domain of 5th generation warfare. To quote an example; a Chinese technology company ZHENHUA having links with Chinese government and People's Liberation Army gathered data on Indian VIPs and politicians to chalk out the behavioral patterns in order to access their future actions.¹²

An important facet of 5th generation warfare is to bring regime change in a targeted territory; a regime that will conform to the wishes of invader who is hiding behind the screens of social media. Public's electoral opinion is molded to gain favorite results. Fake opinion polls and erroneous public tallies about political figures are usually spread the over most of the social media sites, in the form of Newsfeed etc., to distract people. Andrew Bosworth, a close friend of Facebook Executive Mark Zuckerberg has stated that "In 2016, far-right content was promoted by social media to give victory to Donald Trump".¹³ Another report has claimed that Trump's campaign and Twitter war have prevented 3.5 million black Americans from voting by exhibiting bad ads about Hillary Clinton on Facebook.¹⁴ Social media is used to bring regime change not only through electoral processes but through mass mobilizations against ruling elite too. Propaganda and misinformation are basically a distortion of true facts, and both of these weapons are deployed to viciously indoctrinate general public in an aimed nation, in whatsoever manner, it may take. NATO and American sponsored so-called revolutionaries in Libya have been mostly instigated through Facebook and Twitter, who then overthrew Col. Muammer Al-Gaddafi in 2011.¹⁵ Additionally, Arab Spring 2010 has also been a product of 5th generation warfare to sow violence and bloodshed in the Middle East.¹⁶ Besides, another major power; Russia is allegedly on the forefront of using deception and falsehoods to cement its interests at home and abroad.¹⁷ Warfare tools including propaganda, delusions and other non-military tactics are being deployed to unsettle Western interests on

¹⁰ Arab Social Media Report-The Dubai School of Government; May 2,2011.

¹¹ US Department of Justice, Office of Justice Program's report; "criminal use of social media", NCJ Number:250834, published in 2011.

¹² Indian Express; Sep 14,2022

¹³ <https://www.bbc.com/news/technology-51034641>

¹⁴ Pew Research Centre, 2016 Report

¹⁵ The University of Sheffield, "The Emergence of Libyan Networked Publics: Social Media Use Before, During and After the Libyan Uprising" Thesis by Skina Ehdeed.

¹⁶ The United States and Arab Spring: "The Dynamics of Political Engineering" by Gamal M.Selim, 2013.

¹⁷ RAND Corporation: "The Russian 'Firehouse of Falsehood' Propaganda Model" by Christopher Paul and Miriam Matthews

African Continent and bring states and others under Moscow's influence.¹⁸ Russia has greater censorship program imposed at home, and through its own versions of social media as well as tightly controlled mainstream media, influences its own population to legitimize its actions abroad.

5th generation warfare is a multi-pronged war, where, every possible damage is done to the hated opponent. Misconceptions are urged into the minds of public to instigate violence against peace, order and tranquility. It is alleged that USA, Russia, Israel and European countries have established cyber commands at their disposal to instill protest and opposition movements in the desired states. According to a number of Iranian media outlets,¹⁹ recent protests in Iran, that did pretty good damage to government, have been planned and managed by Western backed Iranian exiled groups through social media. Another glaring example is Russia-Ukraine crisis. Russia, before 2014, prepared the minds of eastern Ukrainian residents for annexation by employing propaganda that people in eastern Ukrainian region of Donetsk and Luhansk have been subjected to prolonged persecution by the central government of Ukraine for being Russian speakers.²⁰ This led to rise of rebellious tendencies among eastern Ukrainians, who then joined hands with the invading Russian troops in 2014, only to be annexed with Russia, later on. A big chunk of this game can be attributed to social media; tenented by Russian military and intelligence.²¹

It is the natural instinct of every state to get strategic and tactical advantage over its enemy. Social media platforms provide green and fertile space to cyber armies to hack, jam and obliterate strategic assets of adverse entities. In recent history, Russia and China have been accused of routinely mounting cyber-attacks against American and European military and law enforcement organizations, as per data from CrowdStrike. American and Israeli Intelligence agencies launched 'STUXNET' cyber-attack against Iranian nuclear facilities, thus, destroying 1000 centrifuges at Natanz Uranium Enrichment Plant. That covert strike severely paralyzed Iranian nuclear program.²² Cyber-hacks and malware infestations result into the costly damage to state system of the victim. China has been intermittently involved in ransomware and hacking attacks on US businesses and Wall Street among other private networks.²³ In all of the above mentioned hacking attacks, social media platforms either Facebook, WhatsApp or Twitter have primarily been used, leading to a greater and an unending multi-front confrontation among superpowers.

¹⁸ <https://www.ft.com/content/d427c855-c665-4732-9dd1-3ae3/4464d12>

¹⁹ <https://www.iranintl.com/en/202209213479>

²⁰ <https://www.dw.com/en/fact-check-russia-falsely-blames-ukraine-for-starting-war/a-60999948>

²¹ Defence Technical Information Centre: "Russia's Social Media War in Ukraine" report by Sinclair and Corey

²² www.csoonline.com: Stuxnet explained: The first known Cyberweapon, Aug 31,2022.

²³ <https://www.wsj.com/articles-wave-of-stealthy-china-cyberattacks-hits-us-private-networks-google-says-2f98eae4>

Fifth generation warfare is the war of data, numbers and facts in the domain of information. Enemy wants polarization to maximum extent among the ranks of victim. It is correct to call this war, The Information Warfare. Social media can be seen infested with hate material and blasphemous contents whether political, social, societal, or religious. Let's take a look at the most isolated nation of the world; North Korea, which has banned all types of social media in its territory, yet invented its own "Uriminzokkiri".²⁴ By nature, a social media platform Uriminzokkiri is an the important sophisticated virtual tool of North Korean leader Kim Jong Un to export propaganda, disinformation, bum steers and rumors to the world in general and South Korea in specific; its arch-rival.²⁵ North Korea heavily relies on systematic propaganda to bully its foes, and extort security concessions from USA and South Korea. North Korean military agencies have been indulged in massive misinformation campaign since 2010, to demoralize and deter South Korea along with causing numerous defections of its soldiers. It is fresh in the memory of every sensible inhabitant of this earth, of what has been perpetrated in January 2023, by Ramus Paludan of Sweden.²⁶ This far-right politician used to upload anti-Islamic videos over his party's social media channel for many years and lastly enraged the Muslim world by burning a copy of Noble Holy Quran before Turkish embassy in stock holm on January 21, 2023. Such actions constitute religious war; nowadays being fought against Muslims from the lush green valleys of Demark and Sweden to plains of India. Islamophobia is largely promoted through social media. Lies and falsehoods are being promoted over Facebook, Twitter etc. in the name of freedom of speech.²⁷ Agendas like Islam imprisons women at home, Islam instigates its followers to kill non-Muslims, Muslims are fanatics and the likewise, are the topics of discussion on TV talk shows, YouTube channels and bulletins etc. Venomous comments and feedback can be witnessed over social media platforms against Islam and Muslim civilization.²⁸ Hence, it can be safely said that Islamic world is facing 5th generation warfare against it, gloved in social media weaponry.²⁹

A Delve into The Indian 5th Generation Warfare Rights

The intensity and extent of Indo-Pak rivalry is an open secret. Both have an axe to grind at any moment of time since 1947. India being the second most populous

²⁴ Freedom of the Press 2016-North Korea, report published on April 26,2016.

²⁵ Strategic Studies Institute United States Army War College; "North Korea's Strategic Intentions" by Andrew Scobell.

²⁶ <https://www.aa.com.tr/en/europe/far-right-politician-paludan-burns-Quraan-in-front-of-denmark-mosque/2799500>

²⁷ "Islamophobia and Gab: From Fringe Platforms to Mainstream Social Media" by Samuel Woolley,Roya Pakzad and Nicholas Monaco

²⁸ "Hate, Amplified? Social Media news consumption and support for anti-Muslim policies" published by Cambridge University Press on July 15,2022.

²⁹ "Islamophobia on Social Media: A Qualitative Analysis of Facebook's Walls of Hate" by Imran Awan, Birmingham City University, UK.

country in the world has one of the largest bases of social media users [467.0 million users].³⁰ Indian BJP government in specific, and public in general leave no stone unturned to humiliate, malign and smear Pakistan over social media. Indian social media sites are abundant with anti-Pakistan campaign; projected to defame the image of Pakistan in the world.³¹ In 2020, Brussels based EU Disinfo Lab exposed network of 500 fake Indian media outlets, that India has been using since 2005 to distort the image of Pakistan around the world.³² In June 2018, Pakistan got into FATF's Gray List due to Indian propaganda and 5th generation warfare.³³ Indian in order to nourish civil-military rift in Pakistan, has leaked fake and doctored audios of former top military officials on social media, wherein, they were talking ill about civilian institutions. India is mounting 5th generation Warfare against Pakistan on every front whether social, military, political, diplomatic or economic. Indian propaganda against CPEC project is no hidden truth. Indian public and Intelligentsia have been crutching social media since long time to prove Pakistan a breeding ground of terrorism. Optimistically, despite hectic efforts, all their misconceived narratives are doomed to fail. As an illustration; Indian claims of fake surgical strikes in Pakistan have been badly exposed and ridiculed.³⁴ Not only against Pakistan, Indian BJP government is using the tool of social media to spread and buttress its hardline RSS and Hindutva ideology at home too. Even resident Muslim citizens of India are being subjected to torture and killing sprees; all orchestrated and propagated through social media, especially WhatsApp. Modi Sarkar has succeeded in enlisting of numerous Hindu vigilante groups and local militias to counter Kashmiri struggle for independence. Therefore, it is assumed beyond the doubt that India is a major player of 5th generation warfare through social media at regional and international level.

The Bottom Line

Fifth-generation Warfare is Cyberwarfare or Information warfare, fought with the weapon of social media. It is a type of non-kinetic, non-contact warfare with non-traditional and unconventional methodology. Mainly, superpowers like America, Russia, and China undertake this to manipulate global audience, yet, not only states but smaller elements like rebels, revolutionaries, criminal cartels and terrorist outfits use the power of social media websites to propagate their own interpretations and ideologies among the ranks and files of hostile entities. Propaganda and misinformation are the primary ingredients of fifth-generation

³⁰ www.datareportal.com

³¹ Centre For Strategic And Contemporary Research: "Indian Disinformation operations against Pakistan and its Implications" by Mahnoor Saleem.

³² Indian Chronicles: Deep Dive Into A 15-Year Operation Targeting The EU And UN To Serve Indian Interests

³³ <https://www.the.diplomat.com/2020/12/indian-chronicles-a-new-war-of-narratives-between-india-and-pakistan>

³⁴ Arnab Goswami Case

warfare that are made known over Facebook, Twitter, Instagram etc. to sow divisions among various classes of society, create rifts among civil, military bodies, and cook hatred towards specific social, political and religious groups. All this evil is done only to weaken the enemy to get the wanted results. Enemy uses soft power of keyboards and digital screens in place of hard power of costly tanks, cannons and missiles. Since social media usage is more common among general public, so, ordinary citizens fight this war some more than military formations. Elections are meddled into for bringing desired politicians into power e.g., how Russia leaked thousands of Hillary Clinton emails to lure the minds of common citizens into voting for Donald Trump.³⁵ social media is such a sophisticated medium for fifth generation war that whole of the war remains into the coffins of ambiguity and twilight. A person fighting it does not know whom he is fighting against, and for what purpose, whether he is losing or winning.³⁶ The only job of fighter is to inculcate fake/false facts and unfounded fears into the heart of enemy and depress his passion and fighting capabilities. With the advancement of social media after 9/11, boundaries of war have shifted from earthly grounds to digital spaces. There remains no clear difference between peace and war times.³⁷ Russians actions in Ukraine, Israeli attacks against Iranian nuclear, ballistic and drone programs, North Korean falsehoods against South Korean nation are some of the prominent examples of how social media is transforming the world, when it comes to fifth generation warfare.³⁸ Fighter entities of fifth-generation warfare use every possible tactic to exploit social media space for their ends. Anchorpersons, celebrities, influential personalities, and advertising agencies are heavily bribed to get favoritism. Documentaries, podcasts, short clips and interviews are some of the powerful weapons for transmission of propaganda and misleading facts to the innocent minds. If we talk about the background of religious aspects of fifth generation war, Islam is one of the most seriously affected religions since the last two decades. Publication of Cartoons, animated videos, caricatures of holy personalities have become order of the day, which is hugely impacting faith and harmony of interfaith sections of this world. This can be labelled as the worst shape of fifth generation warfare over social media.

Social media is also used by nation states and organizations to get economic destabilization in foe's territory. Around the globe, businesses, commerce, trade and financial transactions have been targeted through hacking and malware attacks. Such actions result in the blackout of financial systems and create long lasting dents in the national economies. Taking a glimpse into Indo-Pak hostility,

³⁵ Report On The Investigation Into Russian Interference In The 2016 Presidential Elections; By Special Counsel Robert S. Mueller

³⁶ The Journal of Conflict Resolution: "How Social Media Is Changing Conflict" By Thomas Zeitzoff

³⁷ 5GW And Hybrid Warfare Its Implications And Response Options; By Lt Col Maaz Nisar, Pakistan Army

³⁸ "Critical Study of Propaganda & Hybrid/5th Generation War For The Purpose of Narrative Building" By Hamid Khan, Selinus University of Sciences and Literature

it transpires that India is trying to sabotage Pakistan through social media regime. The unearthing of Indian fake news and propaganda houses by European authorities speaks volume in this regard.³⁹ Indian social media users at the behest of nationalist government are trying to manipulate even the Ideology of Pakistan.⁴⁰ Misleading and distorted history is being communicated over Facebook and Twitter to malign and dispute the virtuous intentions and pragmatic personalities of Quaid-e-Azam and Allama Iqbal. Indian election campaigns for the last many years have been tracked and run over social media in bigger proportion as compared to conventional means, for the reason that, Indian hardliners and Modi's government use such tools to spit racism and hatred against Pakistan and IOK freedom movement to bag votes from social media using voters.

Unravelling the Riddle Guarding the Digital Dominion

The first and foremost solution of the undeclared 5th generation warfare through social media is to create barriers around the digital sovereignty of a country. Lack of cyber regulations at national and international level has created "Gray Area" for the states to exploit others. Strong digital and cyber laws be made to counter nefarious designs of evil forces. In Pakistan, National Action Plan (NAP) was enacted in 2015 in response to Hybrid warfare of enemies; resultantly, Prevention of Electronic Crimes Act, 2016 came into being to curb online propaganda and other crimes.⁴¹ Globally, various states are developing and amending laws to not allow social media for propagandist and misleading activities.

Uncovering the Fallacy of Technologies

The advent and evolution of Artificial Intelligence (AI) has resulted in drastic consequences for the memory patterns and perceptive abilities of people around the world. 7D and Deepfake Technology among others have made 5th generation warfare more ferocious over social media.⁴² Recent ridiculous arrest and escape photos of Donald Trump over various media outlet pages were believed by many to be authentic, but, discovered fake later on. This nightmarish AI system and its way of churning out propaganda should be warned against to public. People be apprised of the reality of these delusional technologies, so as, to not believe in propaganda-ridden images and videos, they watch over their social media accounts.

³⁹ East Asia Forum: "Exposing the fake news war against Pakistan" by Imtiaz Gul, CRSS Islamabad.

⁴⁰ <https://www.tribune.com.pk/story/2335695/how-india-unleashed-targeted-social-media-campaign-against-pakistan>

⁴¹ "The Dilemma of Dealing with Terrorism in Cyberspace and Peoples Digital Rights: A Case Study of Pakistan", Centre for Public Policy and Governance, Forman Christian college.

⁴² Weaponised deep fakes: National security and democracy, Australian Strategic Policy Institute (April 1, 2020)

Rejiggering the Foreign Policies

Countries affected by 5th generation warfare must develop robust and integrated foreign policies. To project peaceful and acceptable image of one's country at home and abroad, is the wiser strategy to contain negative perceptions and illusions of other nations. As a case study, Pakistan's Military General Headquarters (GHQ) have been attacked by terrorists to send propaganda internationally that if military Headquarter is unsafe then Nuclear Installations are also not safe, so, sanctions be imposed against Pakistan to dismantle its nuclear arsenal.⁴³ Moreover, Sri Lankan cricket team was attacked in Lahore to prove Pakistan an insecure country.⁴⁴ Therefore, we must establish strategic think-tanks consisting of people from all walks of life to better guide foreign policy makers at Islamabad. We must develop our own face and spread positive image internationally through social media and Pakistani diaspora abroad to counter every misinformation.⁴⁵ Besides social media, mainstream media too plays an important role in shaping opinions of thinkers, strategists and planners. It means that extensive and sovereign media regulators, like PEMRA (made after NAP 2015),⁴⁶ be established to end foreign-seduced and unethical journalism in Pakistan.

Unmasking the Masked

Well said that diamond cuts diamond, so, social media users be encouraged to publicly expose those involved in waging 5th generation warfare against their countries and interests. Educate people about fakeness of propaganda and misinformation and their effects on a nation's collective life.⁴⁷ Nowadays, evolution of cyber armies and cyber commands is underway in numerous countries to counter, expose and deter evil hands operating screens of social media sites. China has created "Great Firewall" to protect itself from external attacks on the digital front. Iran is developing indigenous software to counter and expose Israeli hacking attempts at its nuclear and ballistic programs.

Setting Up Our Own Castle

Recently, India has blocked more than 200 Chinese social media applications to fortify itself against Chinese 5th generation warfare.⁴⁸ In the same manner, we should also work on the loopholes existing in the digital realm of Pakistan. Social media giants don't have any local offices in Pakistan; therefore, we should

⁴³<https://web.archive.org/web/20091013064648/http://www.mcclatchyde.com/world/story/76954.html>

⁴⁴ Institute of South Asian Studies; "Attack on Sri Lanka's Cricket Team: Is Pakistan in Total Chaos and Anarchy?" By Ishtiaq Ahmed

⁴⁵ "Indian State Terrorism" Nov, 2020 Dossier.

⁴⁶ Courting The Law: "Issues in Implementation of National Action Plan"

⁴⁷ <https://preveny.com/en/what-is-social-media-warfare>

⁴⁸ The Times of India, February 14, 2022 <https://m.timesofindia.com/gadgets-news/india-bans-chinese-apps-number-and-names-of-apps-banned-why-and-more>

negotiate with them to open local offices to have better censorship against anti-state and rogue elements.⁴⁹ In case of refusal, Pakistan should develop its own social media applications like Turkish BiP⁵⁰ and Chinese WeChat instead of Facebook.⁵¹

Shielding Against the Evil

Enemy forces are using social media to brainwash and distort the minds and mentality of youth; hence, Youth be educated to protect its mind, control emotions, apply judicious intellect to problem solving, and have critical thinking over social and political issues. The trend of Incest porn and indecent pranks over social media is a critical tool of 5th generation warfare to steal the morality of people.⁵² “Spread immorality among the youth of a nation if you want to defeat it without a fight” [Sultan Salahuddin Ayubi]. Such platforms should be banned, that corrupt morality of nations. In Pakistan, and rest of the Muslim world, we should struggle to plant Islamism, faith and realism in the minds of public to counter 5th generation warfare of West.

Concerting the Efforts of Large and Little

Last but not the least, fighting against 5th generation warfare is only possible when steps are taken in synergic way at national as well as international level. 5th generation warfare through social media is transforming businesses, cultures, politics, education, innovations, careers and much more in the current era. National leaders must provide basic facilities, human rights, resources, security, and dignified life to their citizens at home; so that, they may be no longer be fooled by satanic propaganda and misinformation. At Global platforms like United Nations etc., strict legislation and protocols be introduced to punish state and non-state actors involved in 5th generation warfare.⁵³ United and together, we will defeat the curse of 5th generation warfare propagated through the modern century’s most celebrated social media.

⁴⁹ Samaa TV, Nov 23,2022 <https://www.samaaenglish.tv/news/40021980>

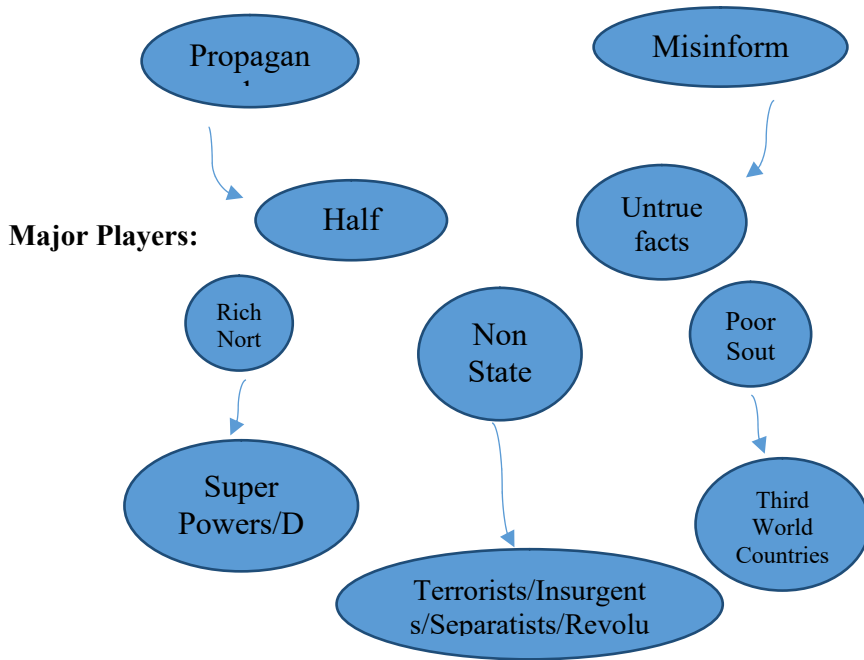
⁵⁰ Daily Sabah, Jan 15,2021 <https://www.dailysabah.com/business/tech/turkish-phone-operators-join-forces-to-facilitate-the-use-of-local-messaging-apps>

⁵¹ <https://www.d8aspring.com/eye-on-asia/a-quick-look-at-wechat-china-biggest-social-media-platform>

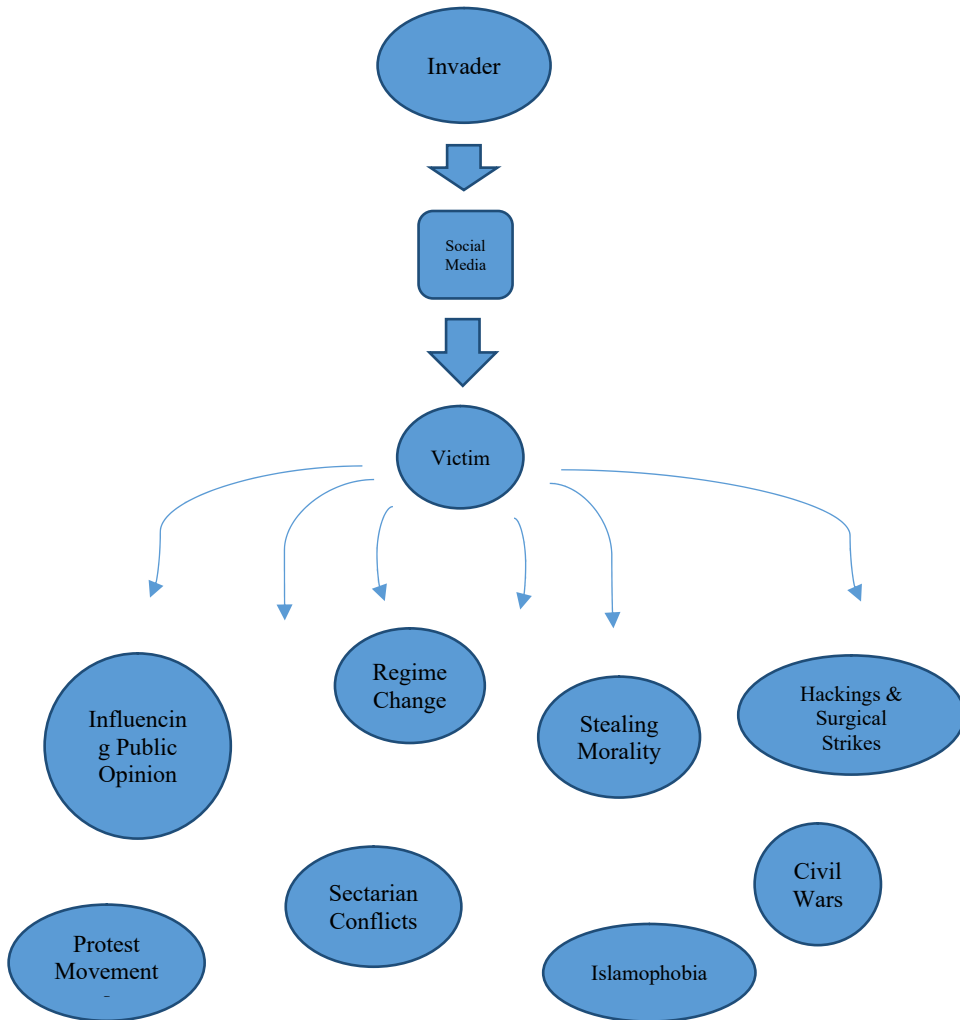
⁵² City University of New York: “Child Sexual Abuse, Moral Panic, and Mass Media: A Case Study in the Social Construction of Deviance” by Steven M.Gorelick

⁵³ <https://press.un.org/en/2022/sc14919.doc.htm>

Infographics of 5th Generation Warfare Through Social Media Basic Tools:



Modus Operandi:



The Way Out:

