

# Russia-Ukraine War & the Future of Europe

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**IS PRIGOZHIN PLANNING**

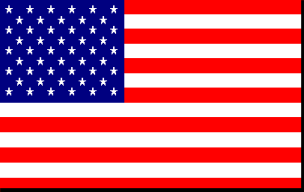
**A MUTINY AGAINST PUTIN?**



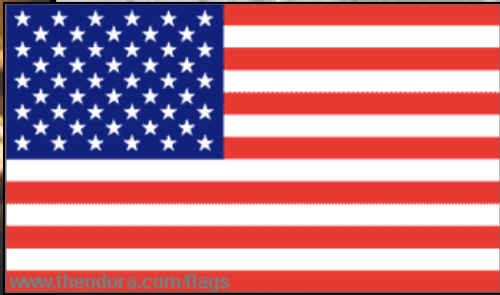
Prigozhin Fronts Alleged Coup Plot to Remove Putin and Shift Russian Foreign Policy

# FIGHTING ALONG THE ROAD TO MOSCOW





# The U.S. & the U.S.S.R. Emerged as the Two Superpowers



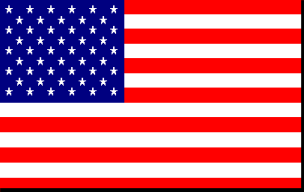
1945 - 1989



Vs.

# Cold War!!!

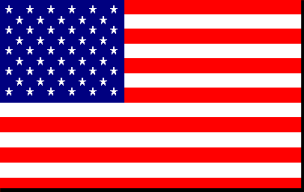




# Soviet Union: 1917-91

## The Bolshevik Revolution – the “Reds”

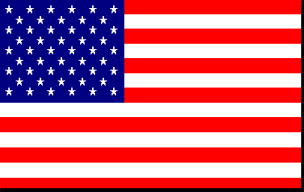




# Postwar Europe, 1945



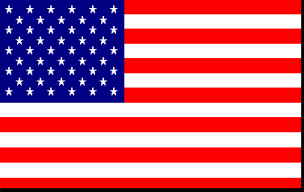




# Warsaw Pact (1955)



- |                  |                |
|------------------|----------------|
| } U. S. S. R.    | } East Germany |
| } Albania        | } Hungary      |
| } Bulgaria       | } Poland       |
| } Czechoslovakia | } Rumania      |



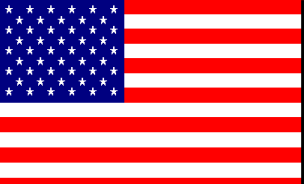
# North Atlantic Treaty Organization (1949)



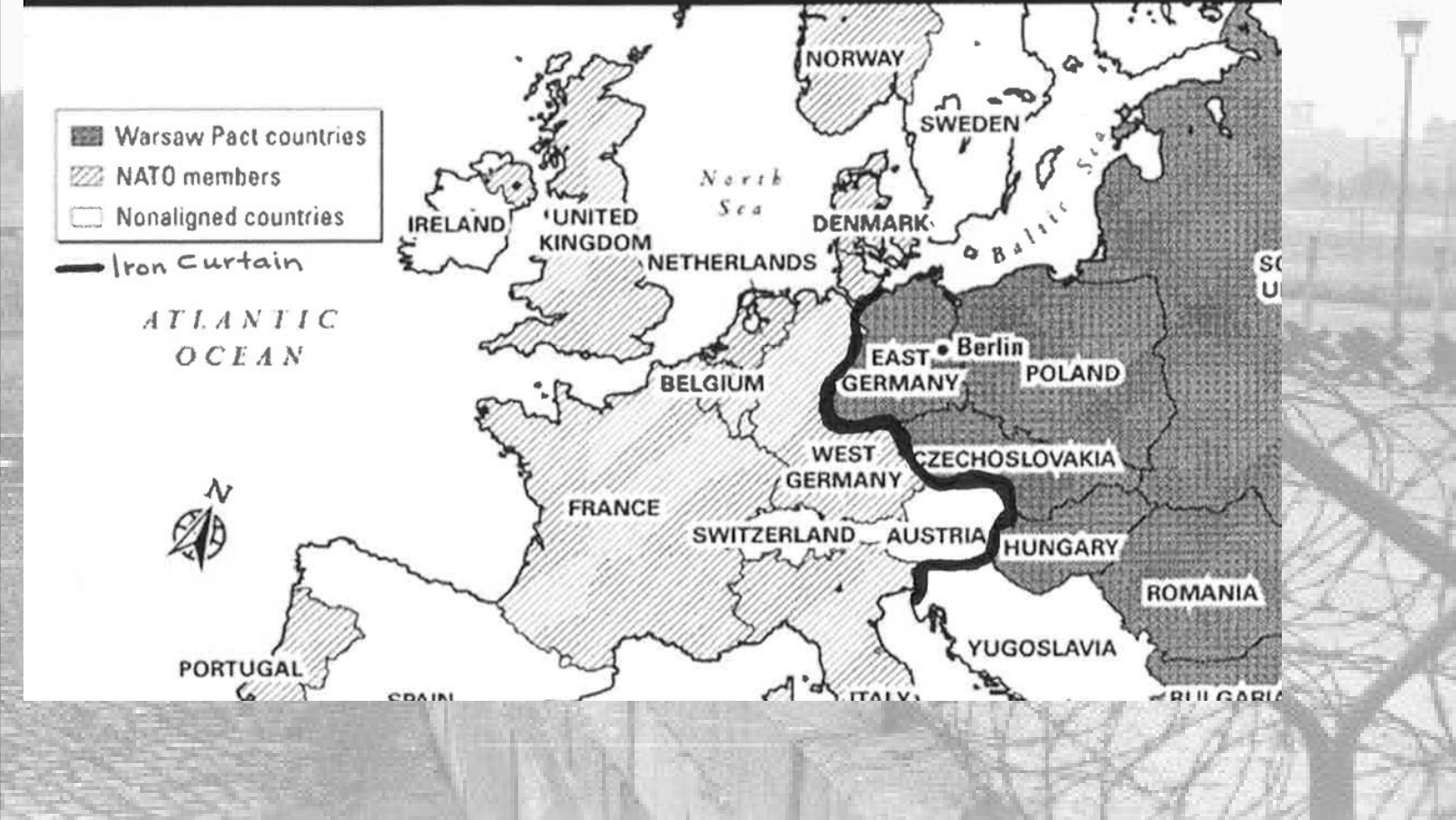
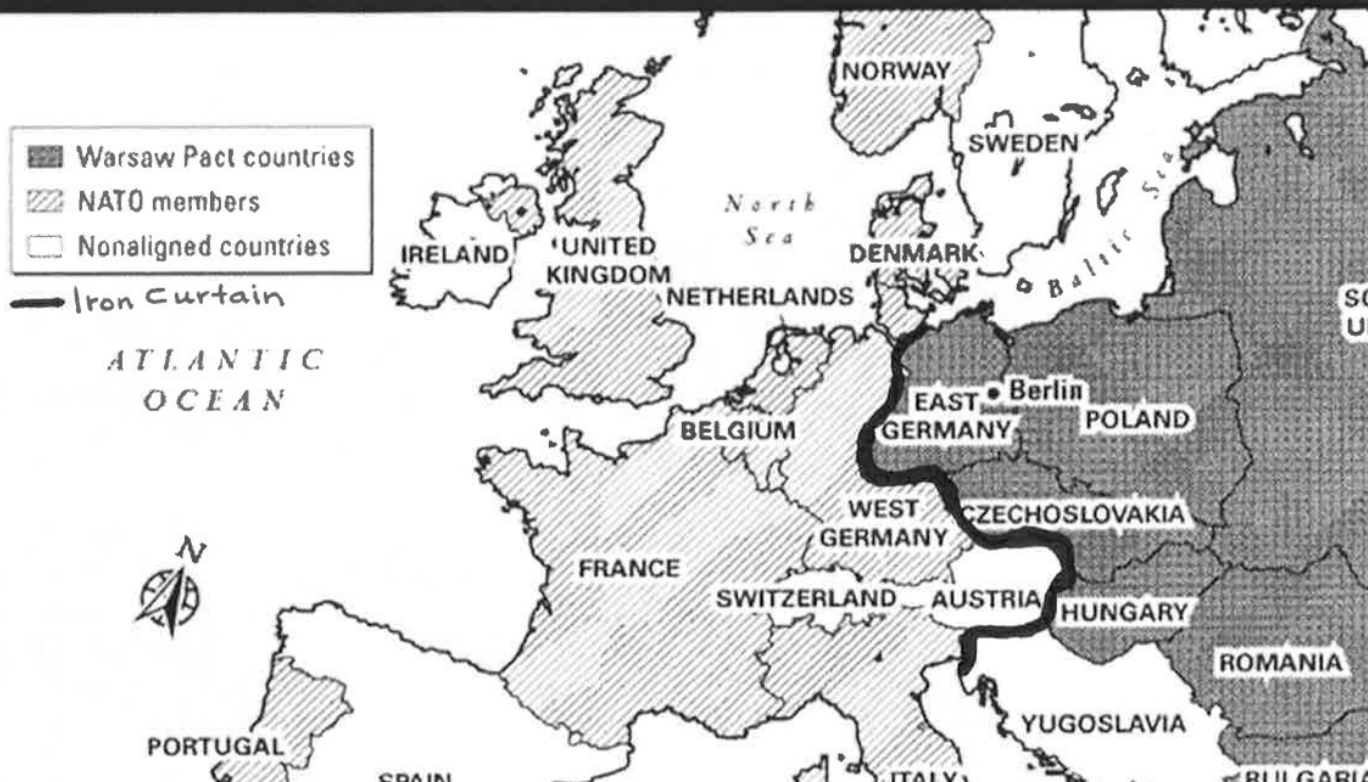
- ❖ United States
- ❖ Belgium
- ❖ Britain
- ❖ Canada
- ❖ Denmark
- ❖ France
- ❖ Iceland



- ❖ Luxemburg
- ❖ Netherlands
- ❖ Norway
- ❖ Portugal
- ❖ 1952: Greece & Turkey
- ❖ 1955: West Germany

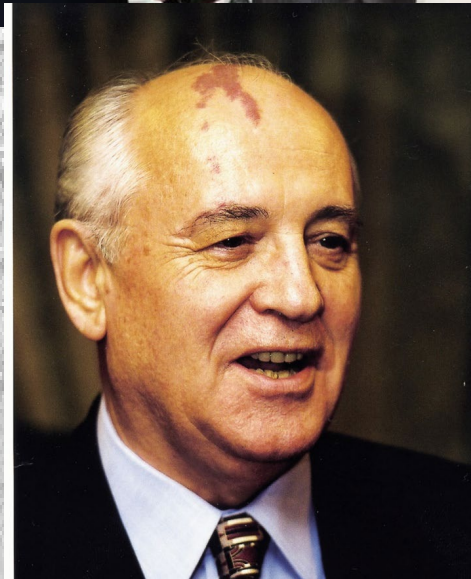
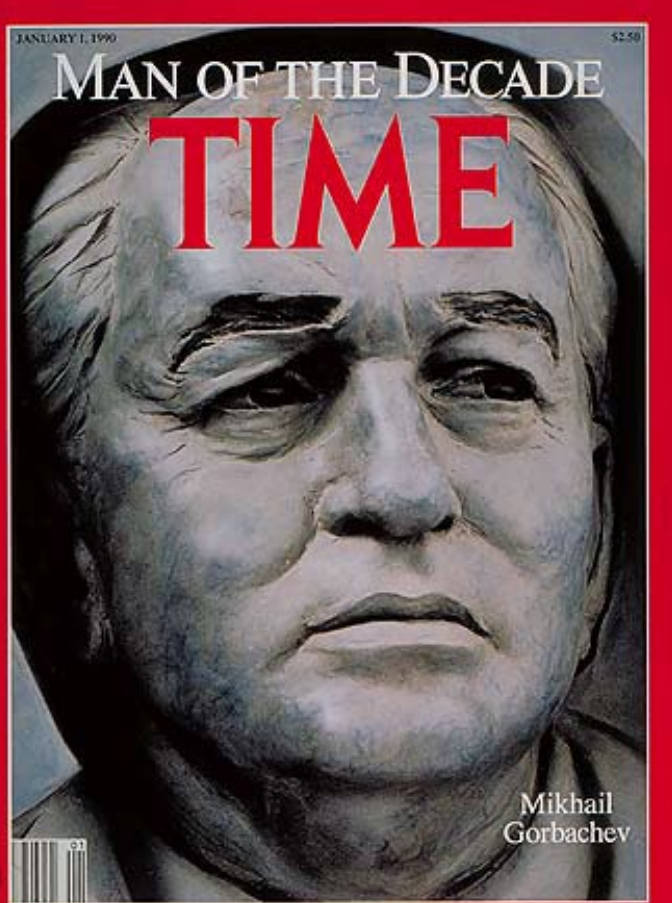


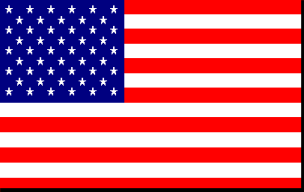
## The Warsaw Pact and NATO, 1955





# End of Cold War?

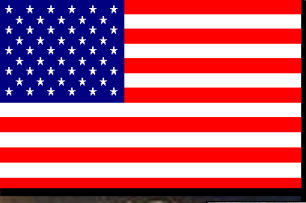




1989!!

# Dec 25, 1991



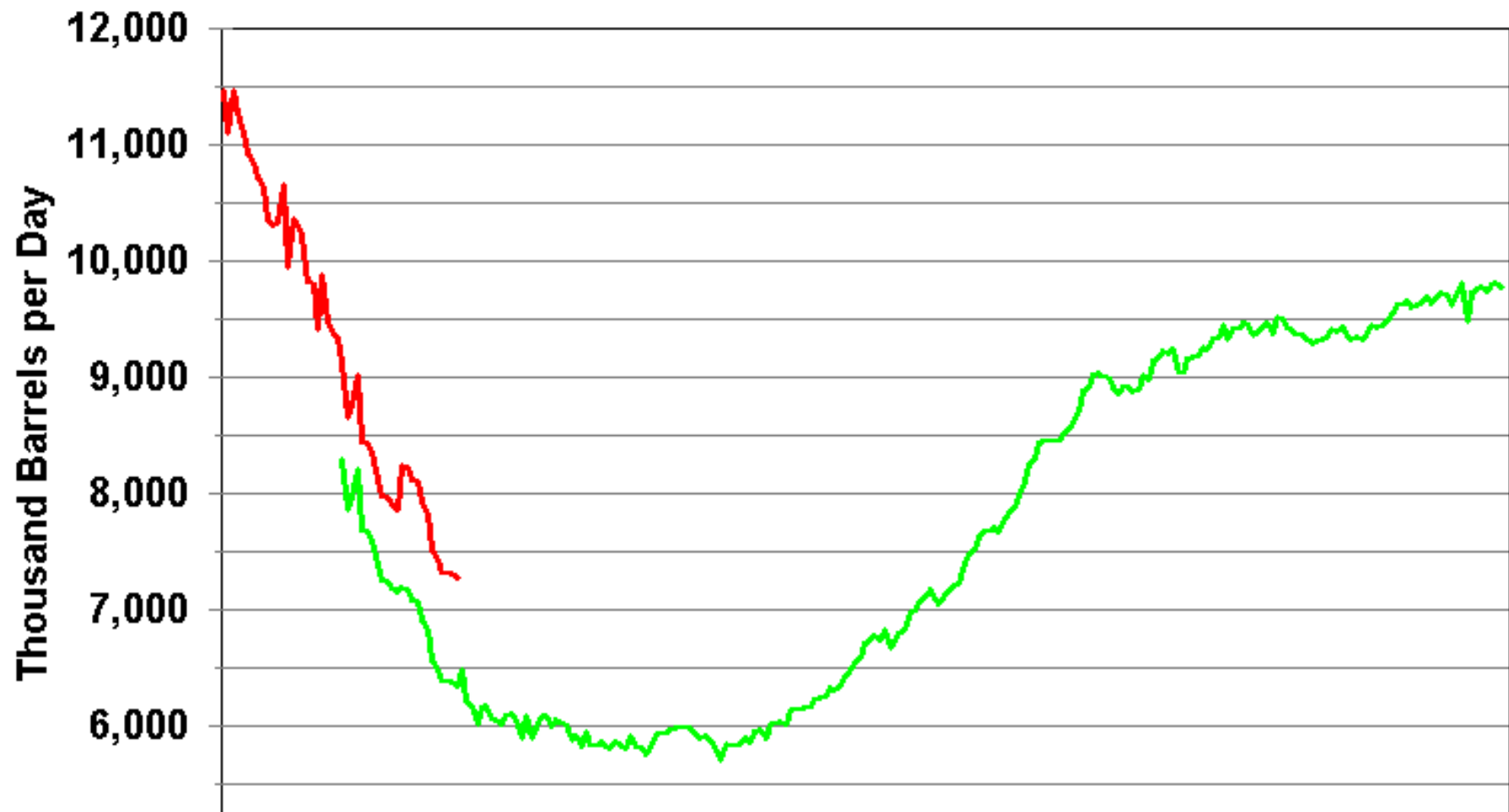


# Boris Yeltsin, 1991-99

## Russian Democracy



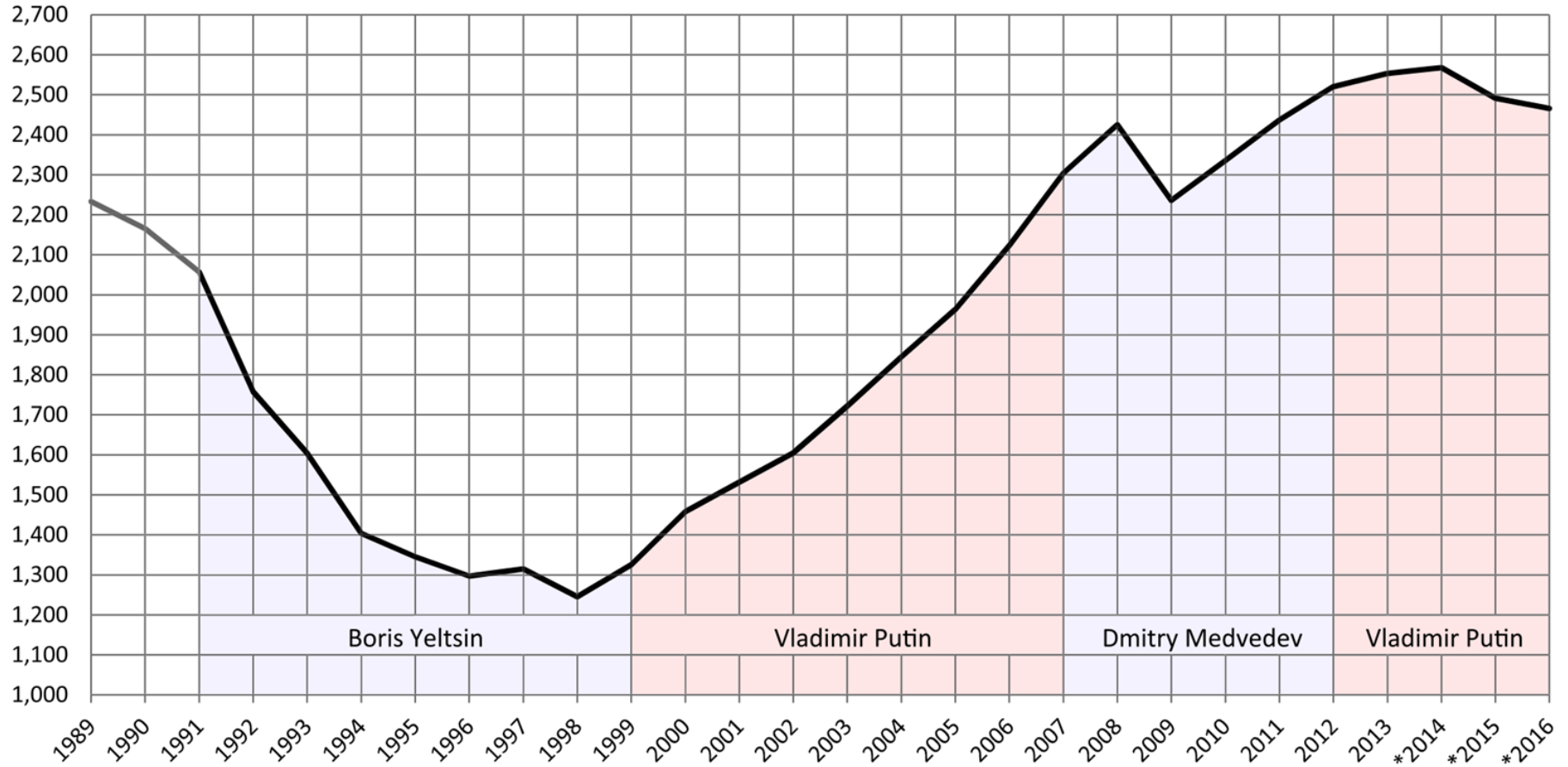
# Crude Oil and Condensate Production Russia & USSR



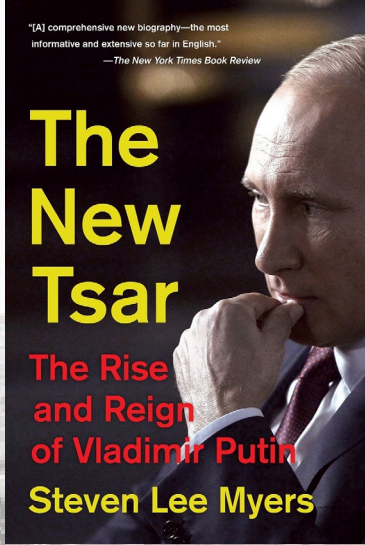


# Russian GDP (PPP) since 1989

Billions of USD (2013)

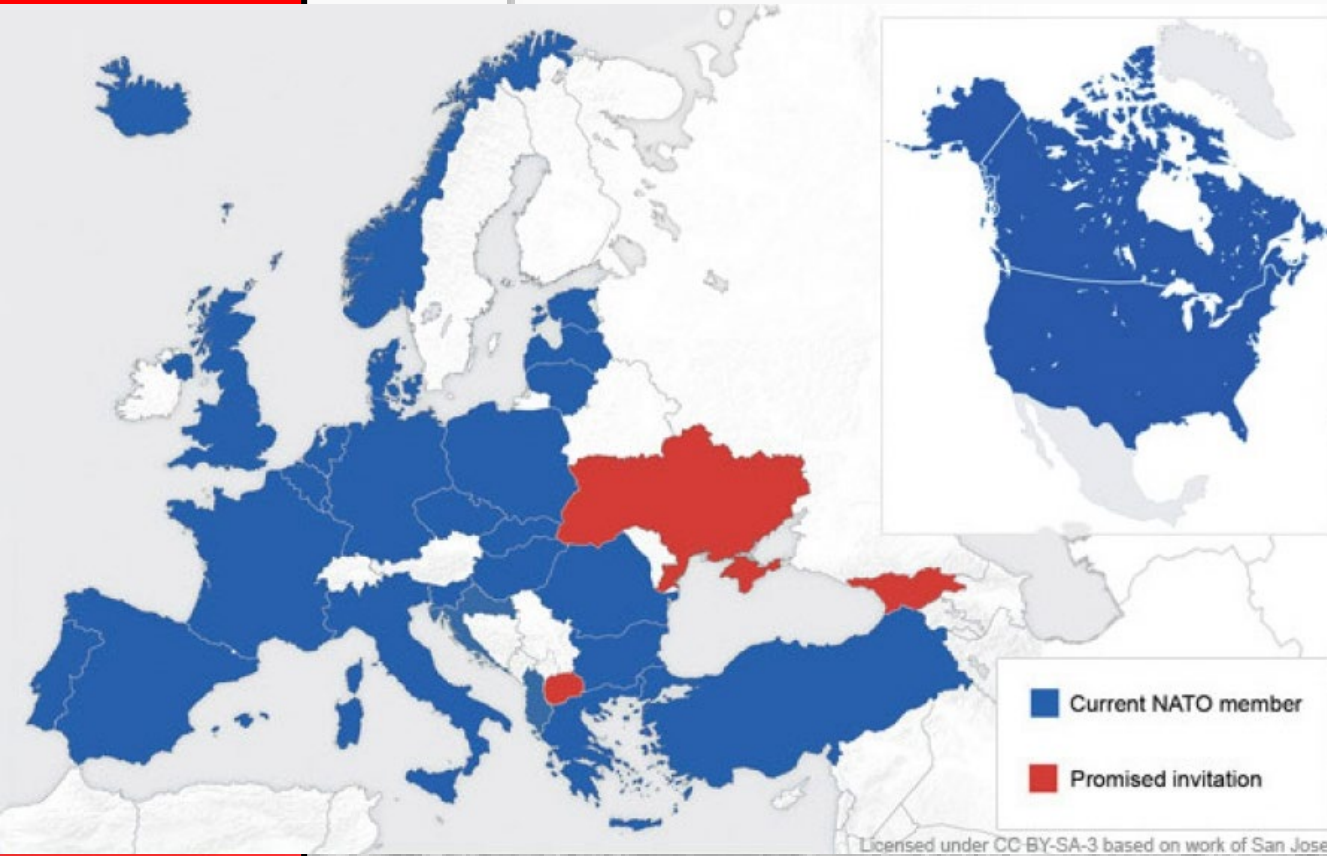


# Vladimir Putin 1999-????



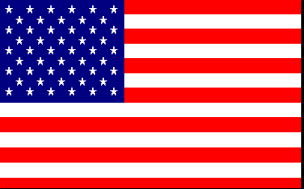


# NATO 2022



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# History of NATO enlargement

The North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) is a military and political alliance.



## NATO members

### Since 1949



Belgium Britain Denmark Italy



Canada Luxembourg Netherlands Norway



Portugal United States France\* Iceland

\* - since 1966 participated only in the political structures of the alliance. Withdrew on April 5, 2009 in NATO military structures

### Since 1952



Turkey Greece\*

\* - withdrew in 1974, maintains representation in some bodies

### Since 1955



Germany

### Since 1982



Spain

### Since 1999



Hungary Poland Czech Republic

### Since 2004



Bulgaria Latvia Lithuania Romania



Slovakia



Slovenia



Estonia

### Since 2009

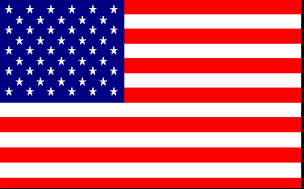


Albania Croatia



NATO Secretary General  
Anders Fogh  
Rasmussen



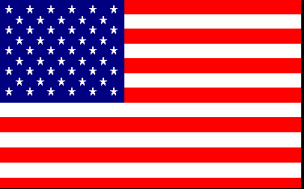


**European NATO members, by joining date**

1949-1991	1992-2022	April 2023
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The Economist



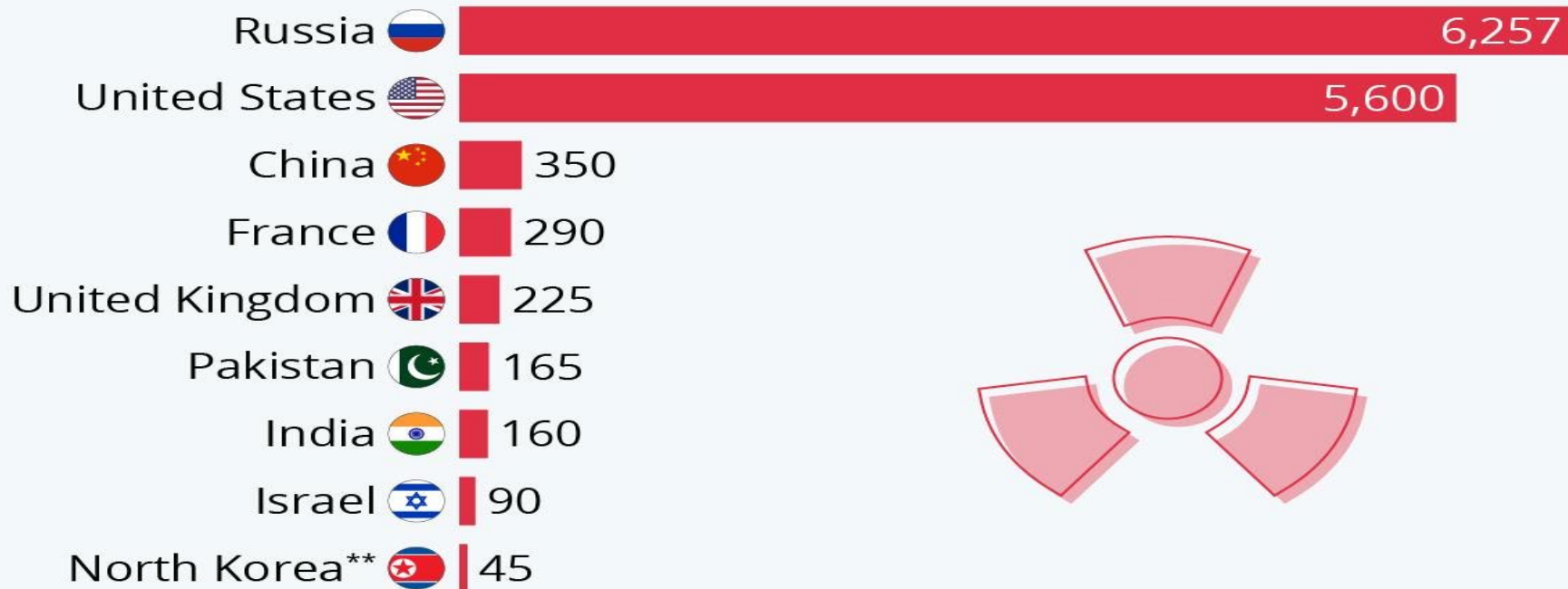


# Annexation of Crimea 2014



# The Countries Holding The World's Nuclear Arsenal

Estimated global nuclear warhead inventories  
as of October 2021\*





European Union and NATO\* membership, 2022





## UKRAINE-RUSSIA CRISIS

### How big are Ukraine and Russia?

Ukraine and Russia are the **two largest countries in Europe**.

#### UKRAINE

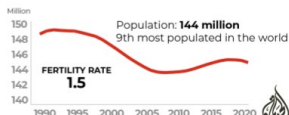
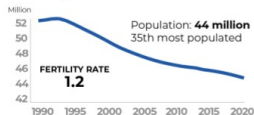
Area: **603,550km<sup>2</sup>** (233,031sq miles)  
45th largest in the world

#### RUSSIA

Area: **17,098,250km<sup>2</sup>** (6,601,671sq miles)  
Largest in the World



Both countries' populations have declined since the 1990s with fertility rates among the lowest in the world.



Source: World Bank | 2020

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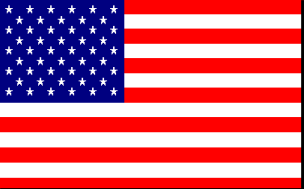


# RUSSIA & UKRAINE: AN IMBALANCE OF MIGHT

EVEN AS BOTH THE NATIONS ARE IN A FACE-OFF, HERE'S  
A COMPARISON OF THEIR MILITARY CAPABILITIES

	 UKRAINE	 RUSSIA
 <b>TROOPS</b>	<b>11,55,000</b>	<b>30,14,000</b>
ACTIVE	2,55,000	10,14,000
 <b>FIGHTER AND ATTACK AIRCRAFT</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>1,531</b>
 <b>ATTACK HELICOPTERS</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>538</b>
 <b>TANKS</b>	<b>2,430</b>	<b>13,000</b>
 <b>ARMOURED VEHICLES</b>	<b>11,435</b>	<b>27,100</b>
 <b>TOWED ARTILLERY</b>	<b>2,040</b>	<b>4,465</b>
 <b>SMALLER WARSHIPS</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>214</b>

Source: Global Firepower 2021



# RUSSIA WAR FEARS



Vladimir Putin has been accused of massing troops near the border with Ukraine as tensions rage in the war-torn region.

Moscow ●  **US FORCES HAVE RAISED THEIR ALERT STATUS TO ITS HIGHEST LEVEL AMID THE TENSIONS**

## RUSSIA

RUSSIA HAS MASSED 4,000 TROOPS ON THE BORDER IN RECENT DAYS

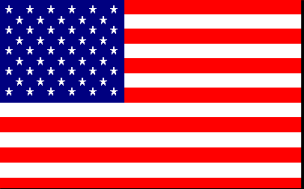
RUSSIA HAS BEEN ACCUSED OF SUPPLYING THE REBELS FIGHTING AGAINST UKRAINE

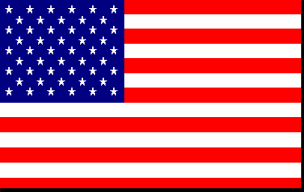
**UKRAINE**

**CRIMEA**  
ANNEXED BY RUSSIA FROM UKRAINE IN 2014

**DONBAS**  
OCCUPIED BY PRO-RUSSIAN REBELS SINCE 2014

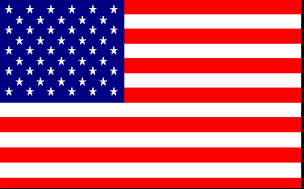






# EU – European Union 1957-present





# ECSC 1952



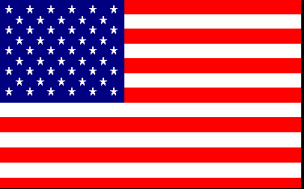
## Idea of united Europe

**ROBERT SCHUMAN**

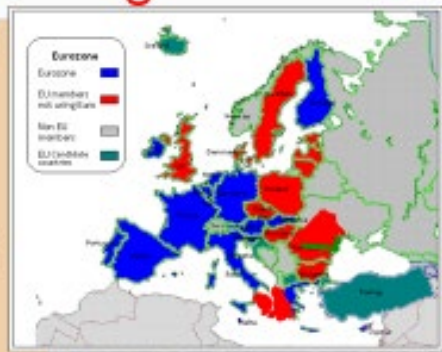


**JEAN MONNET**





# Future Of European Integration?





**Individuals** → 25 states  
→ 23 countries

**Economic**

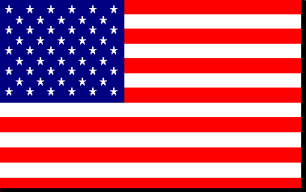
**Arms & Energy**

**Crimea & Sevastopol**

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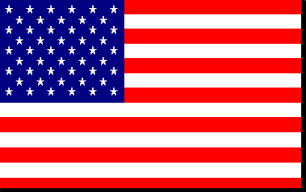
**Diplomatic**

**EEAS** **SEAE**



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<https://thehill.com/policy/international/4065792-european-leaders-convene-emergency-meetings-in-response-to-chaos-in-russia/>





# Discussion Questions

1. What should the foreign policy of the EU be towards Russia in light of the its invasion of Ukraine?
2. What should the military policy of NATO be in light of Russia's invasion of Ukraine?
3. What might a post-Putin Russia look like? And how should the EU & NATO prepare for this eventuality?

