



SHORT AND SWEET OR HOT AND SOUR

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If we don't have a long-term Ukrainian plan, the next thing we'll know it will be Afghanistan. Ukraine was attacked by the Russians without provocation. The American government threw their support behind Ukraine. It has the vast support from the American public. But while the Administration says, "as long as it takes," I doubt the public has the stomach for an open-ended war that lasts years. Europe, which has backed the U.S in this fight, can do much more.

They have more to lose from a Russian victory. They need to step up and step up now to send a strong signal to Russia to come to the table. The fight for resources in our country will get intense. The net interest on our debt is growing astronomically. Social Security and Medicare are under real threat of underfunding. This will force the government to sharply cut back across the board with foreign expenditures getting the bulk of the attention along with government subsidies.

The time for planning is now, not when the problem is upon us. The U.S. has carried the bulk of NATO's support, Europe must step up.

P.S. Ukraine will fight to the last U.S. dollar. That's something they can't rely on indefinitely. Yet, we can't afford to let the Russians win. Think about what a Russia/China (Iran) axis would look like. We must convince not only Europe but a much broader group what a return of the Soviets would mean.