
Subject: Re: Ukraine

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We Americans are not well versed in international relations. We tend to see ourselves as the center of this world's affairs and happenings. Yet, we represent a mere 4.23 percent of the world's population. Our foreign affairs has reflected that. Particularly since the end of WWII when our dominance was established economically and militarily. As a good deal of Europe and Eurasia, (Russia) were in ruins. Russia alone bore the brunt of that world event. 27 million civilian and military dead. America's loss in comparison, (400,000) pales in comparison. And a country unscathed from destruction.

But we took the reins of world dominance in most all metrics of a society at its peak.

The last 50 years or so has not weathered well comparatively in those metrics internally for our country. But our State Department and military have not shown the same decline. Our adventurism into other countries "affairs" has not shown a good deal of positive outcomes for the populations of the countries we engaged and the political turnaround we'd anticipated. A quick check on our military interventions initiated throughout the world since the big war is 201.

Our State Department also has a long list of overt and covert dealings that a look at Wikipedia shows a host of regime change and coups.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/United_States_involvement_in_regime_change

Ukraine is part of that list now. And we very much did use overt and covert influences years prior to Russia commencing its military operations. The 2014 coup of Ukraine's sitting president at the time that had advocated neutrality has our diplomatic hands all over it. The overt part was to start arming Ukraine with weapons.

Russia had negotiated with Ukraine to "lease" the ports of Crimea prior to the two Minsk I and II talks to end hostilities in eastern Ukraine. Eastern Ukraine Bruce that is Russian speaking and Russian sympathetic. Our State Department and the NATO alliance was instrumental in refusing to "Sign" a last ditch treaty to prevent this war that did not have to happen.

Imagine Bruce to your hypothetical proposition Russia arming Mexico in its desire to regain Texas. What would the most likely response be from our country? Or do you forget the Cuban missile crisis. But who instigated that really? We had put missiles aimed at Russia in Turkey. John Kennedy wisely negotiated henceforth their removal as did Khrushchev in Cuba.

In all, we have a history and show a pattern of meddling in other nations' business. With scheme and with force. We have an M.O. And history has shown this to be counter productive. We project a cynical sense of faux virtues in the guise of liberty, freedom and democracy. When domestically our country now is a basket case. Crime, poverty, cost of living sky high, industry and manufacturing shipped off shore to maximize profit to a small percentage of the population. This war in Ukraine needs to end. Yesterday. Their country is depleted of population and economy. War is not the answer Bruce. But our modus operandi seems to speak otherwise.
