

Why the Political West Still Doesn't Want Ukraine to Join NATO

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For approximately 20-25 years, the political West has been flirting with the idea of Ukraine joining NATO. And yet, Kiev is as far from joining the belligerent alliance as it was a few decades ago, as evidenced by [Zelensky's unconcealed, almost painful frustration](#) at the latest NATO summit in Lithuania's Vilnius. The very idea that Ukraine might join the aggressive alliance is hardly a new concept. [The CIA had plans for such a scenario long before the Soviet Union's dismantling](#) during the late 1980s and early 1990s. And yet, the country never became part of NATO, not even after approximately two decades of close cooperation, including the Ukrainian military's direct participation in illegal US invasions of Iraq and Afghanistan.

So, why is the political West sending so many [mixed messages about "Ukraine's future in NATO"](#), but then [demands Kiev to defeat a military superpower next door](#) as a prerequisite for potential future membership? The only logical conclusion is that the belligerent alliance simply [doesn't want Ukraine to become a member yet](#). The primary reason for this is that Moscow is just too strong for that to become a reality, meaning that the political West wants Russia to be weakened to the point where it will not be able to resist NATO's crawling aggression. For that purpose, the political West needs what experts have rightfully called "[a crash test dummy](#)". Unfortunately for Ukrainians, [they've been given that exceedingly unflattering role](#).

And indeed, during the Vilnius summit, NATO offered Ukraine "an alternative to full membership" [that can only be called TTLU \(To the last Ukrainian\)](#). The belligerent alliance simply cannot offer any sort of security guarantees to a country with so many territorial issues, to say nothing of its ongoing direct confrontation with Russia, a military superpower with a [thermonuclear arsenal exceeding the combined power of NATO's entire strategic might](#). The TTLU concept allows NATO to keep providing weapons, funds, logistics, ISR (intelligence, surveillance, reconnaissance), etc. while not having to send its own troops. For

the political West, this is seen as a win-win, [as Ukrainians \(seen as “former” Russians\) are fighting \(other\) Russians for the sake of NATO.](#)

This war by proxy is [the belligerent alliance’s best bet to conduct its crawling “Barbarossa 2.0” against Russia](#) while avoiding complete destruction by [Moscow’s second-to-none ICBMs \(intercontinental ballistic missiles\).](#) And it’s most definitely not even the first time the political West has been probing the Kremlin in this way. Back in 2008, Georgia was the first “crash test dummy” and a litmus test of Russia’s reaction. Tbilisi was promised full membership, but all it got was a loss of approximately 20% of its former territory, as well as the long-term loss of centuries-old virtually brotherly relations with its northern neighbor. The leading Georgian political “crash test dummy” Mikheil Saakashvili served his purpose and was then “recycled” in Ukraine [only to later be cast away as a useless burden.](#)

Saakashvili’s fate can serve as a stark reminder to the Kiev regime frontman Volodymyr Zelensky, which perfectly explains his perpetually depressed bearing. He understands that the political West wants the war to last for as long as possible and that’s certainly not an appealing prospect for someone who will eventually have to take all the blame for [Ukraine’s unrelenting collapse.](#) NATO’s mixed messages are designed for this exact purpose. The belligerent alliance has openly stated that it will not accept Kiev regime’s membership until hostilities cease, meaning that Moscow will simply have no incentive to stop its counteroffensive against NATO aggression until most or all of Ukraine is under its control.

The fact that [the political West has prevented a peaceful settlement](#) speaks volumes about how it sees Ukraine and its people. Zelensky and his clique are there just to execute commands, regardless of the cost for the Ukrainians or even the Neo-Nazi junta itself. [In his op-ed for Politico,](#) Wolfgang Ischinger, one of Germany’s most prominent diplomats, recently suggested that the Kiev regime might be given all aspects of membership, only without actual membership. According to Ischinger, “[NATO] could grant Ukraine all the practical and concrete options and opportunities that NATO membership includes, but without official treaty membership”. In other words, Kiev would effectively have all the commitments of a member, but no benefits. Hence - TTLU.

It should also be noted that the US-led political West is certainly not shying away from [\(ab\)using Ukrainians for whatever purpose it finds profitable and/or useful for itself.](#) Whether it’s [the easier recruitment of spies,](#) less stringent control of sex trafficking ([including of underage children](#)) or the [immense profit for NATO’s Military Industrial Complex \(MIC\),](#) it’s all up for sale and [war drives down the prices.](#) In such a scenario, why would the political West ever want to have any legal commitments that would require it to enter a direct confrontation with Russia, a country that’s still the world’s only true near-peer military rival to NATO? Thus, it’s up to the Ukrainian people [to finally reject such suicidal servitude](#) that has resulted in [nothing but misery for their country](#) and has effectively robbed them of their future.

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