

Ja, PI ist nach wie vor proamerikanisch!



Immer wieder, speziell wenn wir mit Putin übereinstimmen, wird uns wenig informiert vorgehalten, PI sei nicht mehr proamerikanisch und solle entsprechende Aussagen aus dem Logo löschen. Wir haben es schon einmal gesagt, und sagen es nochmals: Proamerikanisch heißt nicht, daß man die Politik des gerade regierenden Präsidenten sklavisch hochjubeln muß. Im Gegenteil! Proamerikanisch heißt unter anderem gerade Meinungsfreiheit!

Und da die empörten Obama-Freunde hier doch bestimmt ein lupenreines Englisch beherrschen, gestatten wir uns den Hinweis auf einen aktuellen Artikel der renommierten US-Zeitschrift „Foreign Affairs“ mit dem Titel *Why the Ukraine Crisis Is the West's Fault* vom renommierten Chicagoer Politik-Professor John J. Mearsheimer, dem wir voll zustimmen:

According to the prevailing wisdom in the West, the Ukraine crisis can be blamed almost entirely on Russian aggression. Russian President Vladimir Putin, the argument goes, annexed Crimea out of a long-standing desire to resuscitate the Soviet empire, and he may eventually go after the rest of Ukraine, as well as other countries in eastern Europe. In this view, the ouster of Ukrainian President Viktor Yanukovich in February 2014 merely provided a pretext for Putin's decision to order Russian forces to seize part of Ukraine.

But this account is wrong: the United States and its European allies share most of the responsibility for the crisis. The

taproot of the trouble is NATO enlargement, the central element of a larger strategy to move Ukraine out of Russia's orbit and integrate it into the West. At the same time, the EU's expansion eastward and the West's backing of the pro-democracy movement in Ukraine – beginning with the Orange Revolution in 2004 – were critical elements, too. Since the mid-1990s, Russian leaders have adamantly opposed NATO enlargement, and in recent years, they have made it clear that they would not stand by while their strategically important neighbor turned into a Western bastion. For Putin, the illegal overthrow of Ukraine's democratically elected and pro-Russian president – which he rightly labeled a “coup” – was the final straw. He responded by taking Crimea, a peninsula he feared would host a NATO naval base, and working to destabilize Ukraine until it abandoned its efforts to join the West.

Putin's pushback should have come as no surprise. After all, the West had been moving into Russia's backyard and threatening its core strategic interests, a point Putin made emphatically and repeatedly. Elites in the United States and Europe have been blindsided by events only because they subscribe to a flawed view of international politics. They tend to believe that the logic of realism holds little relevance in the twenty-first century and that Europe can be kept whole and free on the basis of such liberal principles as the rule of law, economic interdependence, and democracy.

But this grand scheme went awry in Ukraine. The crisis there shows that realpolitik remains relevant – and states that ignore it do so at their own peril. U.S. and European leaders blundered in attempting to turn Ukraine into a Western stronghold on Russia's border. Now that the consequences have been laid bare, it would be an even greater mistake to continue this misbegotten policy...

So, und wer es bis hierhin geschafft hat, schafft die

restlichen zehn Seiten auf Englisch bestimmt auch noch! Wir unterschreiben wie gesagt jeden Satz doppelt und dreifach, selbst wenn Putin noch die überwiegend russische Ostukraine absäbeln wollte. Der Westen ist selber schuld! Er hat diesen Konflikt auf dem Gewissen, nicht Putin! Genau das schreibt Mearsheimer auch!