

US Wants Russia Transformed into a US Vassal State... Doomsday Clock is Three Minutes to Midnight

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Washington tolerates no governments it doesn't control, wanting pro-Western vassal states replacing sovereign independent ones – notably Russia and China, both countries targeted for regime change.

Neocon/super-hawk former US Deputy Defense Secretary and World Bank president Paul Wolfowitz [pictured left] earlier explained Washington's "first objective is prevent(ing) the re-emergence of (rival states), either on the territory of the former Soviet Union or elsewhere."

America seeks unipolar/New World Order dominance, pursuing a policy of state terrorism globally, wanting control over all other nations, threatening world peace, stability and security.

Russia knows what it's up against. America is not "ally" or "partner". On Tuesday, Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov was notably frank, saying:

"The policy of restraining Russia continues, though it is high time to drop this policy and file it in the historical archives."

Washington remains intractably hostile, wanting all nations operating under its rules, serving its interests exclusively, posing no challenge to its hegemonic aims.

US administrations "attempted to impose agreements on us, respecting the interests of either the European Union or (America) in the first place, trying to convince us that they will not damage our interests. That's over now," said Lavrov.

Moscow seeks "close, constructive cooperation" with all nations, based on mutual solidarity and trust – "without interference (in any country's) internal affairs," respecting their sovereign independence.

Washington imposes its will on other nations politically, economically and militarily, seeking "one-sided benefits, (attempting) to punish us for conducting an independent international policy," Lavrov explained.

Russia responds appropriately, prioritizing its interests and national security. Lavrov highlighted Washington's "counterproductive and dangerous policy..."

“(B)uilding up (US-dominated NATO’s) military (presence) near our borders and the creation of global European and Asian segments of a global US missile system” threatens world peace and security.

The Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists’ [Doomsday clock](#) stands at three minutes to midnight, reflecting the “high” probability of “global catastrophe.”

Last January, BAS said “unchecked climate change, global nuclear weapons modernizations, and outsized nuclear weapons arsenals pose extraordinary and undeniable threats to the continued existence of humanity.”

“World leaders have failed to act with the speed or on the scale required to protect citizens from potential catastrophe. These failures of political leadership endanger every person on Earth.”

Since established in 1947, the clock was adjusted 18 times, ranging from two minutes to midnight in 1953 after America and Russia tested thermonuclear bombs to 17 minutes in 1991 – following Washington and Moscow’s Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty and Soviet Russia’s yearend dissolution.

On Tuesday, BAS will announce whether its Doomsday Clock is closer, further distant from or unchanged from potential disaster.

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