

## A Quick Observation

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The British have signed a provisional agreement with Ukraine that will allow them to control and develop Ukraine's Rare Earth Minerals.

So, as usual, they are inserting themselves as middlemen before a deal is even struck, however, they will only uphold their end if the "US" agrees to defend Ukraine with ground troops and a full-on commitment to armed defense of Ukraine.

Mr. Zelensky, anxious to get whatever it is that Britain promised him already, was intent on getting Donald Trump to do a 180 and agree that Vladimir Putin is a very bad man and Russia is a very bad country and yada, yada, yada, ring the war bells and rattle the sabers --- which is not the attitude needed to achieve peace.

Mr. Trump looks at this reversal --- because before Mr. Zelensky seemed to understand the need for peace and the precarious position that Ukraine is in --- and concludes, to paraphrase: this guy doesn't want peace. He doesn't understand the position he is in and his own need for peace. He wants to fight, fight, fight and keep on fighting.

So, if Mr. Trump falls for the set up, and commits US troops and financial support to defend Ukraine in exchange for Rare Earth Minerals, Zelensky can go on milking the US and tap into US troops and money and supplies to go on fighting a war that he has already essentially lost. And that appears to be

what Zelensky really wants to do --- snooker us into a long term war with Russia.

This would be a stalemate war of attrition in which many more soldiers would die, many of them Americans, and billions more dollars spent, and all sorts of foreign governments and defense contractors would be delighted, but this is not what Mr. Trump wants.

Trump wants peace established, and then, if he cuts a deal to buy Rare Earth Minerals from Ukraine, the presence of US Mining and Refining Companies in Ukraine would probably be somewhat of a deterrent, but it would be a civilian business deal with no military strings attached.

If Zelensky isn't committed to peace and doesn't want peace, there's no point in talking.

He, Zelensky, has two choices: (1) peace with some lucrative mining contracts to help rebuild his country, or (2) continue to slug it out with Russia --- without US aid --- in which case, he will lose after having bled his country dry.

We've already lost over \$350 Billion dollars in grants made to Ukraine by the Biden Administration, more than two-thirds of that money isn't accounted for ---and Zelensky is unwilling to repay or trade minerals against any of that.

Trump isn't going to throw good money after bad, or be entangled in a way that would leave him (and America) committed to any kind of ground war with Russia.

So it's deal or no deal, and it's looking like no deal.  
Which means we cut our losses:

<https://www.thegatewaypundit.com/2025/02/just-secretary-state-marco-rubio-terminates-us-support/>

That's okay. We have enough Rare Earth Minerals of our own.

The European countries will have to pay their own bills if they want to defend Ukraine against Russia. Their own Butcher's Bill, too.

Everyone wants to fight a war for profit-- with someone else's lives and money. Britain always wants to sit in the middle and control everything, with no actual skin in the game.

Only this time, Donald Trump is in charge, and he knows when to cinch up his purse-strings and walk away, which is precisely what he has done.

Unless the European countries support Zelensky, countries that are -- bear in mind -- used to spending only two percent of their GDP on defense, the War in Ukraine is over.

As many Ukrainians see it, Zelensky had his chance, and blew it today. They are left to pay the consequences of his failure to seek peace --- which can only mean further devastation of their country, the loss of more lives, and most likely, the loss of Ukrainian sovereignty.

What should we think as Americans?  
We should think, today was a good day.

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