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## Position: United States should supply weapons to Ukraine

This position addresses the topic 2014 Russian military intervention in Ukraine.

## For this position

Why did we deny Ukraine weapons? Because in the Barack Obama-John Kerry worldview, arming the victim might be taken as a provocation. This kind of mindbending illogic has marked the administration's response to the whole Crimea affair.

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From Obama's pathetic response to Putin's invasion of Crimea, by Charles Krauthammer (*The Washington Post*, March 20, 2014) (view)

# Against this position

A settlement is possible if all countries' security interests are taken into account. This would mean that Ukraine would hold elections with participation and guaranteed protection for ethnic Russians; would have a nonaligned government (stripped of neofascists); would pledge never to join NATO; and would develop economic relations with Russia and the EU (unavoidable if Ukraine is to survive economically).

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From How to Avert a New Cold War Over Crimea, by The Nation editorial board (*The Nation*, March 20, 2014) (view)

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