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President Biden Stands Strong Against Russia's Threat to World Peace¹

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In a move that would make one of our greatest presidents, Harry S. Truman, proud, the United States has sent more than \$75 billion to help Ukraine in its fight against Russia. The United States has given by far the most money, twice as much as the EU in total, in a rather embarrassing number for European countries, many of whom directly border Russia.

This enormous amount of American aid, enthusiastically supplied by Congress (mostly) has led to the continued Ukrainian success in resisting the Russian military. President Biden's diplomacy regarding the issue has been nothing but commendable, ensuring Ukrainian independence for the time being while also spearheading the economic and diplomatic isolation of Russia.

President Biden has also condemned and criticized the Kremlin at every opportunity.

Given the huge strain put upon Russia in every way possible, it's likely that we may soon see some sort of seismic shift for Russian authority, especially given the curiously short and nearly comical Wagner Rebellion that caused major political humiliation for Putin.

While Biden, of course, isn't directly involved with the Wagner Group, one could easily attribute a portion of Russian instability to his diplomatic efforts.

For example, his sanctions have caused major companies, such as Exxon, Shell, large multinational banks and other corporations to close business activities in Russia, further hamstringing their economy. Billions of dollars in Russian assets have also been frozen, too.

In addition, the US has taken in over 100,000 Ukrainian immigrants as a show of goodwill towards the Ukrainian people and government.

Biden and Zelenskyy have also spoken numerous times regarding the future of Ukraine and Russia, with the Ukrainian president going so far as to call the US's support for Ukraine "unflagging".

Despite this, there have been some conspiracy theories regarding President Biden's connection with certain Ukrainian companies which have slightly damaged the president's reputation. But none of these have gained much in the way of traction.

Overall, Ukraine has been quite a remarkably successful enterprise for the United States - and despite Biden's lowered approval ratings, a large majority of Americans are supportive of the US's efforts towards the country.

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It's a shame that his efforts have gone unappreciated by the American public, but the outcome will be the same. Resisting Putin's blatant imperialism will ensure continued American efforts towards peace in the region, no matter how far away that may seem. It may be considered one of America's finest diplomatic hours by historians.