



## Zelensky and NATO Vow To Turn Post-War Ukraine Into 'A Big Israel' Funded By US Taxpayers

### Description

**USA/UKRAINE: The NATO-backed Atlantic Council has proposed apartheid Israel as a blueprint for a hyper-militarized Ukraine funded by US taxpayer dollars.**

Just forty days after Russia's military campaign began inside Ukraine, Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky told reporters that in the future, his country would be like *"a big Israel."* The following day, one of Israel's top promoters in the Democratic Party published an op-ed in NATO's official think tank exploring how that could be executed.

Zelensky made his prediction while speaking to reporters on April 5, [rejecting](#) the idea that Kiev would remain neutral in future conflicts between NATO, the European Union, and Russia. According to Zelensky, his country would never be like Switzerland (which coincidentally abandoned its Napoleon-era tradition of nonalignment by sanctioning Russia in response to its February invasion).

*"We cannot talk about 'Switzerland of the future,'" the president informed reporters. "But we will definitely become a 'big Israel' with its own face."*

For those wondering what a *"big Israel"* would actually look like, Zelensky quickly elaborated on his disturbing prophecy.

*"We will not be surprised that we will have representatives of the Armed Forces or the National Guard in all institutions, supermarkets, cinemas — there will be people with weapons,"* Ukraine's president said, predicting a bleak existence for his citizens. *"I am sure that our security issue will be number one in the next ten years."*

GrayZone report: Though the web post was based on comments Zelensky made to reporters, the president's office mysteriously excised a section of his remarks in which he declared a future Ukraine would not be *"absolutely liberal, European."*

Instead, along with his vision for a heavily militarized Ukraine, the post emphasized Zelensky's

readiness to join NATO *“already tomorrow.”*



Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky visits the Western Wall in Jerusalem, January 2020.

For NATO’s power brokers, however, Zelensky’s intimated willingness to join the military alliance was perhaps the least remarkable aspect of his statement. Instead, within 48 hours of his comments, the Atlantic Council – NATO’s semi-official think tank in Washington – published a *“road map”* exploring how to transform Ukraine into *“a big Israel.”*

Authored by Daniel B. Shapiro, the former US Ambassador to Israel under President Barack Obama, the document posited that *“the two embattled countries share more than you might think.”*

Just as former US Secretary of State Alexander Haig presented Israel as *“the largest American air craft carrier in the world that cannot be sunk,”* Shapiro put forward a vision of Ukraine as a hyper-militarized NATO bastion whose national identity would be defined by its ability to project US power against Russia.

Happy Birthday, @netanyahu! I wish you and all the Jewish people good health and the strength to face all the challenges of the rapidly-changing world. At a time like this, old loyal friends are more valuable than ever. #Ukraine and #Israel have a friendship such as this. [pic.twitter.com/jhonXgiqAl](https://pic.twitter.com/jhonXgiqAl)

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Despite Israel's reluctance to join the Western sanctions campaign against Russia, it has aided Ukraine's militarily, sending two large shipments of defensive equipment since February of this year. In the past, however, Israel's support for Ukraine in its fight against Russia has been more than defensive.

Back in 2018, over 40 human rights activists petitioned the Israeli High Court of Justice to stop arming Ukraine after members of the neo-nazi Azov Battalion were caught brandishing Israeli-made weapons. As Israel's Ha'aretz noted at the time, "The militia's [Azov] emblems are well-known national socialist ones. Its members use the Nazi salute and carry swastikas and SS insignias... One militia member said in an interview that he was fighting Russia since Putin was a Jew."

Zelensky, a Ukrainian Jew, was apparently unperturbed by Israel's alleged arming of Nazi elements in his country. One year after his 2019 election, he made a pilgrimage to Jerusalem to launch what he called a "prayer for peace," and to attend an event entitled "Remember the Holocaust to fight anti-Semitism."

Ahead of the junket, Zelensky heaped praise on Israeli society, remarking in an interview that "Jews managed to build a country, to elevate it, without anything except people and brains," and that Israelis are a "united, strong, powerful people. And despite being under the threat of war, they enjoy every day. I've seen it."

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