

On the War in Ukraine and lines in the sand¹

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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Dear Editor,

Responding to your call for comment on the Ukraine situation; but in any event, taking the opportunity to vent and share my sentiments.

Questions: Why is the nuclear/biological/chemical warfare ‘*line in the sand*’ - - that the allied powers are apparently waiting for Putin to cross before they retaliate -- ***so crucial?*** Is it because death and destruction by nuclear/biological or chemical aggression is so horrific it is a ‘***crime against humanity;***’ whereas killing people with traditional bullets and bombs is ‘*fair play*’ as it does not violate the rules of war of the ‘Geneva’ or subsequent conventions?

Frankly, I fail to appreciate that logic, as – *apart from the comparative killing mechanism ‘efficiencies’* -- the end result is the same.

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