

## PRESIDENT TRUMP, VP VANCE ARE STANDING UP FOR AMERICANS

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President Donald J. Trump and Vice President JD Vance will always stand up for the interests of the American people and those who respect the United States' position in the world — and will never allow the American people to be taken advantage of.

<u>President Trump</u>: "Let me tell you, you don't have the cards. With us, you have the cards — but without us, you don't have any cards."

- More than half (52%) of Ukrainians want a quick end to the war and believe Ukraine "should be open to ceding some territory in exchange for peace," <u>according to a</u> <u>November Gallup poll</u>.
- Since martial law was declared in Ukraine, 1,000,050 Ukrainians have been <u>drafted</u> into military service. In October 2024, Ukraine announced it would be drafting another 160,000 — bringing the total number of conscripted Ukrainians to 1,160,050.
  - The average <u>age</u> of Ukrainian troops is 43 years old.
  - "Even if the West did come through with all the weapons they have pledged, 'we don't have the men to use them,' one of Ukrainian president Volodymyr Zelensky's close aides <u>told</u> Time's Simon Shuster, revealing that the average age of a Ukrainian soldier has already reached 43."
- One of Zelenskyy's closest aides told TIME in 2023 that he is "[deluding] himself ... We're out of options. We're not winning. But try telling him that."

 The Ukrainian army is <u>facing rising desertions</u> as "ill-trained and exhausted soldiers [go] AWOL," with the military further strained by struggles in recruiting and the "arrests of respected and popular combat officers."

## **President Trump:** "You're gambling with World War III."

• Zelesnkyy himself has <u>acknowledged</u> that the situation in Ukraine could lead to WWIII, and that without U.S. aid, they would lose: "A third world war could start in Ukraine, continue in Israel, and move on from there to Asia, and then explode somewhere else."

## **President Trump**: "I gave you the javelins to take out all those tanks. Obama gave you sheets."

- President Trump <u>gave</u> anti-tank javelin missiles to Ukraine, while Obama <u>gave</u> non-lethal aid only, <u>including</u> blankets.
  - **EURACTIV**: "Poroshenko asks Obama for weapons, obtains blankets"
  - President Trump <u>approved</u> lethal weapons sales to Ukraine in 2017: "The new arms include American-made Javelin anti-tank missiles, U.S. officials said."
  - President Trump <u>approved</u> a \$39 million sale of defensive lethal weapons to Ukraine in 2019: "The new package will include Javelin anti-tank weapons, with one U.S. official saying it includes 150 missiles and two launchers."

## Vice President Vance: "You went to Pennsylvania and campaigned for the opposition in October."

- Zelenskyy was called out for <u>campaigning</u> against President Trump in Pennsylvania.
  - "Zelenskyy was flown to Pennsylvania in an Air Force C-17 plane."