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Does the United States want to push Russia into armed conflict?

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The Russian embassy in Washington warned this 1st. of February that "the threats of new U.S. sanctions against Russia are not going to force us to back down or stand still."

The United States uses Ukraine as an "instrument of containment of Russia" and to "push Russia towards an armed conflict," Russian President Vladimir Putin said on Tuesday, warning that "the response of the US and NATO on security guarantees already makes it clear that Russia's fundamental concerns were ignored."

The president added that "the United States does not care so much about the security of Ukraine, its main task is to curb the development of Russia," and the way to achieve it is to involve Russia in an armed conflict or make the European Union tighten sanctions.

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Such a response was made to accusations by the US State Department regarding the occupation of Crimea by the Russian Federation.

"It was the United States that encouraged the radical-nationalist coup d'état in Kiev, which put the inhabitants of Crimea in danger of annihilation, so (that population) voted in favor of reunification with Russia," the diplomatic mission replied, according to RT reports.

Coincidentally, on Tuesday, the President of Ukraine, Volodymyr Zelensky, reported in a parliamentary session the signing of an order to increase the national army by 100,000 troops over the next three years.

In parliament itself, a lawmaker from Ukraine's Opposition Platform for Life party argued on Monday that rising tensions in eastern Europe, over announcements of a hypothetical future aggression by Russia, has created, first of all, a "beneficial" situation for the countries that are feeding it.

"I would like to emphasize that no one is giving us gifts. They make us buy weapons, in a hurry and at three times the price. (...) They are forcing us (to sign) contracts and we are taking out loans to finance them. There is no investment," the Ukrainian opposition lawmaker denounced, on condition of anonymity, the tass agency reported.

According to press reports, during the month of January Ukraine received, on the 22nd, more than 90 tons of lethal weapons from the United States; on the 23rd another 80 tons arrived from the same origin, and two days later, on the 25th, another arrival of 80 tons containing Us Javelin anti-tank missile systems was recorded.

In addition, the defense ministers of the Baltic countries were authorized to supply Ukraine with U.S.-made weaponry, including Javelin missiles, Stinger man-portable air defense systems, and other military equipment. According to Ukrainian media reports, Kiev has recently received 700 Javelin missiles and 2200 nlaw anti-tank missiles.

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