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## Crowdfunding defense 🧵

Good news of the day: 🙌🙌



### Czech citizens raised \$1.3M and bought a T-72 tank for Ukraine

Within a month, Czech citizens raised \$1.3M in a campaign to purchase a T-72 tank. On Sep. 6, the Ukrainian Embassy in the Czech Republic launched the campaign.

<https://bulgarianmilitary.com/2022/10/03/czech-citizens-raised-1-3m-and-bought-a-t-72...>

"Czech citizens raised \$1.3M and bought a T-72 tank for Ukraine"

## Czech citizens raised \$1.3M and bought a T-72 tank for Ukraine

By Boyko Nikolov — On Oct 3, 2022



PRAGUE (\$1=25.13 Czech Korunas) — Within a month, Czech citizens raised \$1.3 million in a campaign to purchase a T-72 tank. On September 6, the Ukrainian Embassy in the Czech Republic launched the campaign. The Ministry of Defense of the Czech Republic was chosen as the guarantor of the entire procedure.





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Ano, 🇨🇪 je první zemí na světě, kde se lidé složili na tank aby ho poslali proti Putinovi. Tomáš do války pojede! 33 milionů korun dalo dohromady 11 288 lidí se srdcem. Děkujeme. ❤️ A co bude dál? Munice! Munice do tanků, raketometů, houfnic a děl. Munice!  
[zbraneproukrajinu.cz/kampane/1000-d...](https://zbraneproukrajinu.cz/kampane/1000-d...)



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Ukrajina se brání bezohledné ruské agresi, ale my jí v tom nenecháme! Češi už vybrali miliardu korun na vyzbrojení ukrajinské armády. Přidejte se a pošlete Putinovi dárek, na který bude dlouho vzpomínat...  
<https://www.zbraneproukrajinu.cz/>

Not the first time:



### Let's all chip in and buy weapons for Ukraine

A Lithuanian television personality has just crowdfunded an armed drone for Ukraine. Czechs have raised more than €50 million for arms to send to Kyiv. Passing

<https://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/lets-all-chip-in-and-buy-weapons-for-ukraine-3vrw8h...>

ELISABETH BRAW

## Let's all chip in and buy weapons for Ukraine

Elisabeth Braw | Monday May 30 2022, 9.00pm BST, The Times

**A** Lithuanian television personality has just crowdfunded an armed drone for Ukraine. Czechs have raised more than €50 million for arms to send to Kyiv. Passing the military hat is the new Band Aid, and that's a good thing.

"Our time has come," the Lithuanian TV anchor Andrius Tapinas wrote in a Facebook appeal last week, asking his compatriots to chip in for the Bayraktar drone from Turkey. Three days later they had donated the €5 million needed.

Lithuania? "Lithuania fundraises 3.3 million euros within 2 days to buy Bayraktar drones for Ukraine. "

(Lithuania's population is 2.8 million)

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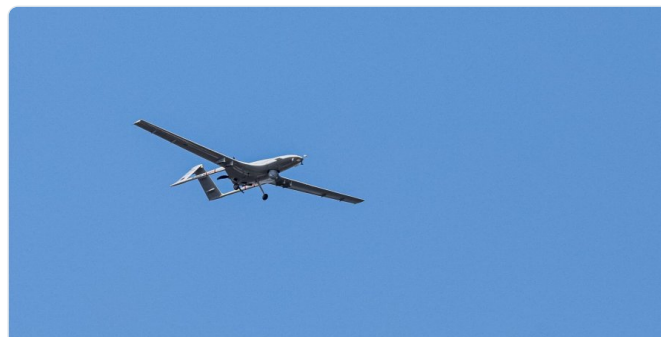
The fundraising campaign attracted money at a rate of about 1,500 euros per minute, according to Lithuanian TV presenter Andrius Tapina.

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**Ukrainian volunteers crowdfund 4 attack drones in 3 days**

Ukrainian presenter, public figure and volunteer Serhiy Prytula together with Ukrainian blogger Igor Lachenkov raised 600 million hryvnias (\$20.5 million) — enough for four Bayraktar drones in the sp...

<https://news.yahoo.com/ukrainian-volunteers-crowdfund-4-attack-100500609.html>

"Ukrainian volunteers crowdfund 4 attack drones in 3 days"



**A Ukrainian TV host crowdfunded \$20 million to buy Bayraktar drones...**  
Baykar, which makes the Bayraktar TB-2, turned down \$20 million and said it would send three drones to Ukraine's front line for free.

<https://www.businessinsider.com/bayraktar-firm-refuses-20m-says-will-donate-drones-t...>



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Baykar'dan duyuru!

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Announcement from Baykar!

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Оголошення від Baykar!

Ukrayna halkının vatanlarını savunabilmek adına Bayraktar TB2 SİHA alabilmek için "Halkın Bayraktar" adıyla düzenlediği bağış kampanyasının çok kısa bir sürede başarıyla tamamlandığını öğrendik.

Kamuyuunun tanıdığı isimler, gazeteciler, sanatçılar, futbolcular, iş insanları, sıradan insanlar hatta çocuklar bu kampanyanın başarıya ulaşabilmesi adına büyük veya küçük demeden bağışlar yaparak ülkelerini desteklemek için katkıda bulundular.

Vatansever Ukrayna halkının belirttikleri hedefe ulaşma arzusu ve dayanışma ruhu bizi de etkiledi. Baykar olarak toplanan bağışlar ile alınması hedeflenen 3 adet Bayraktar TB2 SİHA'yı hiçbir ücret talep etmeden Ukrayna'ya hibe ediyoruz. Bu hedef için toplanan tüm bağışın ise Ukrayna'nın onurlu halkının faydasına kullanılmasını rica ediyoruz.

Baykar olarak adil bir çözümü arzuladığımızı ve kalıcı bir barış için dua ettiğimizi saygıyla bildiririz.

Business leaders and ordinary people alike contributed funds - small and large - to reach this milestone within a matter of a few days' time.

Baykar will not accept payment for the TB2s, and will send 3 UAVs free of charge to the Ukrainian war front. We ask that raised funds be remitted instead to the struggling people of Ukraine. We are touched by their solidarity and resolve in the face of seemingly insurmountable challenges.

Бізнесмени та звичайні люди внесли кошти — малі й великі — для досягнення цієї мети протягом кількох днів.

Компанія Baykar не прийматиме оплату за TB2 і безкоштовно відправить 3 БПЛА на український фронт. Ми просимо натомість зібрані кошти спрямувати на допомогу в боротьбі народу України. Ми зворушені цією солідарністю та рішучістю перед обличчям, здавалося б, нездоланих викликів.

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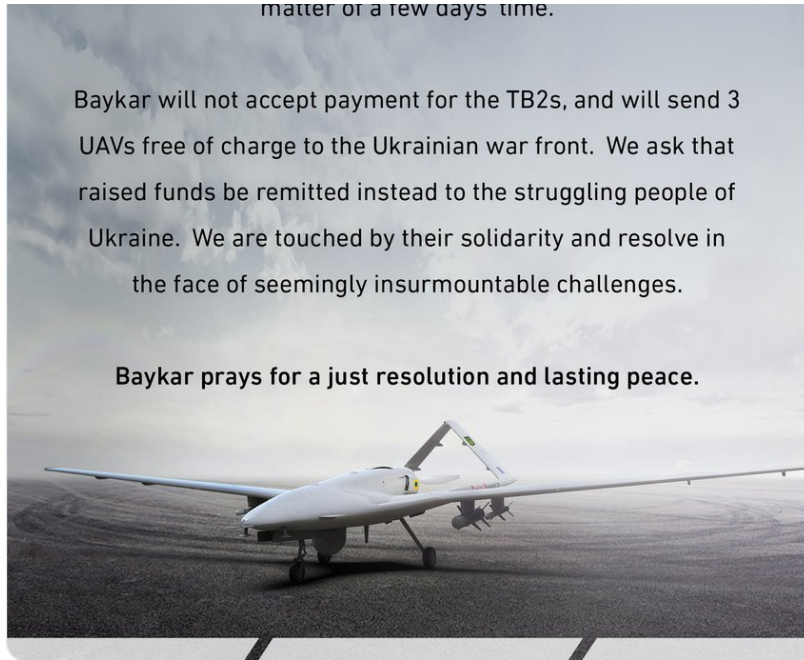
Baykar has been informed that a crowdfunding campaign dubbed "The People's Bayraktar" was successful in raising funds to buy several Bayraktar TB2 UAVs for Ukrainians to use in defense of their Homeland.

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**Baykar prays for a just resolution and lasting peace.**



"Ukrainian soldiers raise money by writing custom notes on artillery shells for \$40 before firing them at Russians"



**Ukrainian soldiers raise money by writing custom notes on artillery sh...**

Ukrainian student Anton Sokolenko organized a project to help fund the Ukrainian military in its struggle against Russia.

<https://www.businessinsider.com/ukraine-soldiers-custom-notes-artillery-shells-40-dolla...>

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### Crowdfunding defense

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If you're interested in how private actors in Ukraine overcame the free rider problem to successfully provide national defense then check out my article "Crowdfunding Defense" over at Public Choice.



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### Crowdfunding defense

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#### Abstract

National defense is the hard case for the voluntary provision of public goods because without recourse to taxation it is difficult to overcome the free-rider problem, much less provide defense superior to that of government provision because of the large costs associated with national security and war-making. The theoretical explanations for how collective action problems can be solved privately generally have not been brought to bear on national defense, despite being applied to other public goods. I use the theoretical solutions to the collective action problem provided by Olson to understand the extensive private provision of national defense by Ukrainian citizens in their war against Russian-backed separatists. By reducing the size of the population in question and focusing on uniquely high return types of military capital, private defense charities attracted donations sufficient to supply critical funding and military materiel in places the Ukrainian government had failed to do so.

Between February and March of 2014, Russia invaded and annexed Crimea from Ukraine, stoking the flames of pro-Russian movements in Ukraine's eastern region of Donbass. Responding to these incursions on April 9th, 2014 Ukraine's acting Interior Minister declared that pro-Russian separatist protests would be brought to an end within 48 hours, either through negotiation or force. Twenty days later the separatists had captured their second regional capital, and as of December 2018, they still hold large swaths of the Donbass region. The political and military leaders of Ukraine had failed to carry out the most critical of the state's duties: the provision of national defense. Given the externalities created by defense, a lack of government provision of it should have resulted in a lack of defense overall (Samuelson 1954), and yet private Ukrainian citizens have contributed more than \$14.4 million (\$6.6 million directly to the Ministry of Defence and \$7.78 million to private

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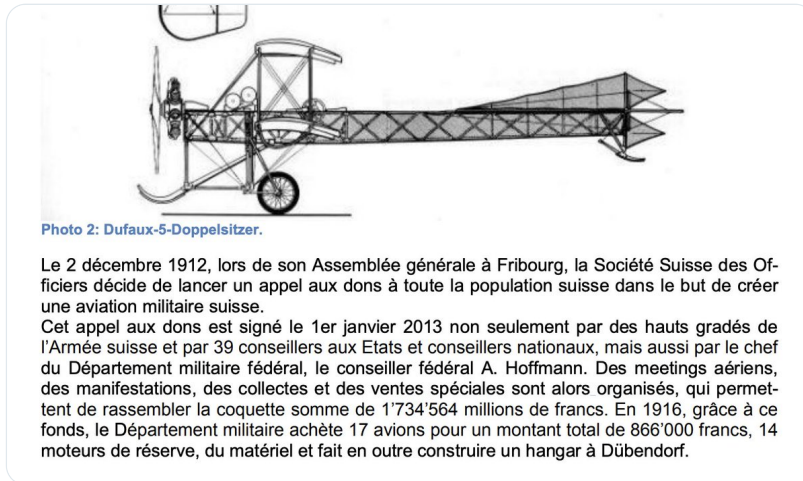
military charities) to their common defense between 2014 and 2016. This paper addresses how Ukrainians were able to solve the collective action problem and provide large-scale defense, something usually considered to be the purest example of a public good.



In 1913, the first Swiss airforce, 17 planes, is financed by crowdfunding:

[https://www.vtg.admin.ch/content/vtg-internet/fr/die-schweizer-armee/geschichte-der-schweizer-armee/\\_jcr\\_content/contentPar/tabs/items/documents/tabPar/downloadlist/downloadItems/110\\_1511957854559.download/Geschichte\\_der\\_Luftwaffe\\_FR.pdf](https://www.vtg.admin.ch/content/vtg-internet/fr/die-schweizer-armee/geschichte-der-schweizer-armee/_jcr_content/contentPar/tabs/items/documents/tabPar/downloadlist/downloadItems/110_1511957854559.download/Geschichte_der_Luftwaffe_FR.pdf)

<https://web.archive.org/web/20150515152842/http://www.lw.admin.ch/internet/luftwaffe/fr/home/themen/history/pionier.html>



In 1899, the first submarines of the French navy:

<http://journal-le-matin.over-blog.com/article-en-1899-le-matin-finance-les-premiers-sous-marins-grace-a-la-publicite-43622859.html>

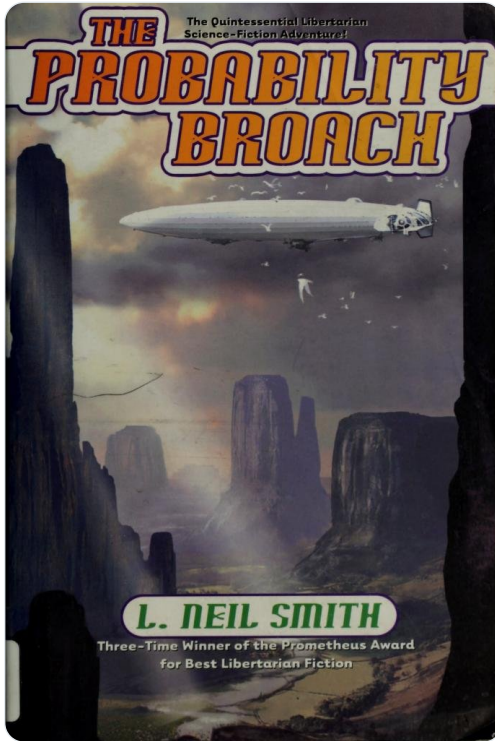


See also L. Neil Smith's [@lneilsmith](#) (RIP) novel The Probability Broach:



The Probability Broach  
by L. Neil Smith

You can't draft anybody or raise war taxes here, but you can ask folks to chip in, and try to explain why it's important.



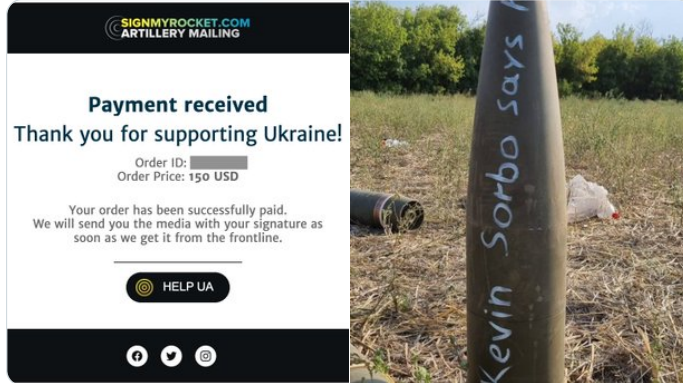


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How to support the Ukrainian military?

In this thread I'll post some links for donating to the Ukrainian military collected and verified by @sumlenny Here you can donate to the specific military units or to volunteers helping them by PayPal or by a wire transfer 🇺🇸

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<https://www.ukrainianarsenalofliberty.org/>

[rzzutka.pl/bayraktar](http://rzzutka.pl/bayraktar)



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The National Bank of Ukraine has decided to open a special fundraising account to support the Armed Forces of Ukraine. The central bank's decision comes after the Ukrainian gov...

<https://bank.gov.ua/en/news/all/natsionalniy-bank-vidkriv-spetsrahnok-dlya-zboru-kos...>

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<https://laissez-faire.ch/en/articles/libertarianism-is-against-aggression/>

And on "public goods" theory:





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<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2022-10-19/-star-wars-actor-mark-hamill-s-campaign-sends-500-drones-to-ukraine>


"Soldiers! I am your tank. My name is Tomáš. In order for me to go into battle with you, 11,282 Czechs, Poles and Slovaks crowdfunded me. They know that you are fighting for us, for everyone, and that I will help you."




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Do tanku T-72 Avenger jsme dali dopis pro jeho budoucí posádku: " Vojáci! Jsem Váš tank. Jmenuji se Tomáš. Abych s Vámi mohl vyrazit do boje, složilo se na mne 11 282 Čechů, Poláků a Slováků. Oni vědí, že bojujete za nás, za všechny, a že já Vám pomůžu. Oni vědí, že..." 

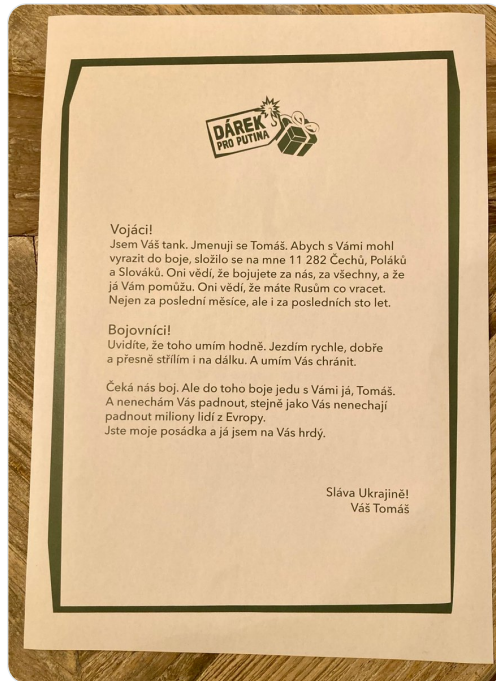
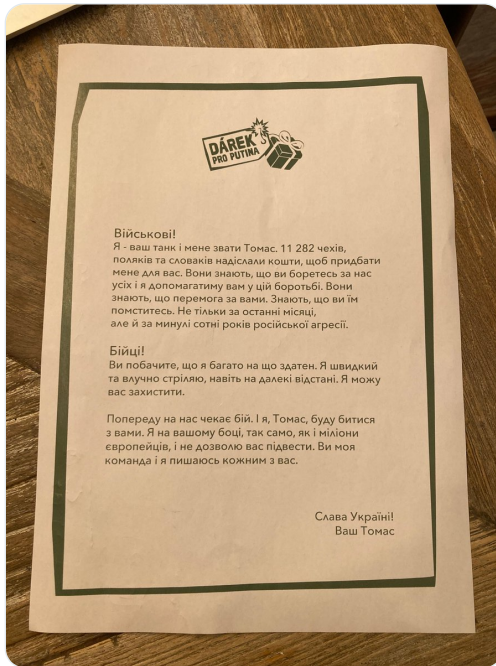


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[#Sukhois2Plowshares](#) raises donations for a Ukrainian unit that shot down a Russian Sukhoi-34. These guys turned the jet into luggage tags that we will mail to people who donate \$399 and more. More here: [recyclerussia.com](https://recyclerussia.com)

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Buy tanks, grenades and military equipment to support Ukrainian army. Ukrainian embassy will receive money and buy real weapons in cooperation with the Czech Ministry of Defense

<https://www.weaponstoukraine.com/>



**'A joke that went out of control!': crowdfunding weapons for Ukraine's ...**

In just nine hours, the Prytula Foundation raised \$5.5m from private donors to buy 50 FV103 Spartans used by the British Army

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2022/nov/03/a-joke-that-went-out-of-control-crowdf...>



**Ukraine Launches Fundraising Campaign to Build 100 Naval Drones**

Ukraine has launched a campaign to build 100 marine drones to deter the Russian naval ship-launched missiles attacking Ukrainian cities.

<https://www.thedefensepost.com/2022/11/15/ukraine-fundraising-campaign-naval-dron...>



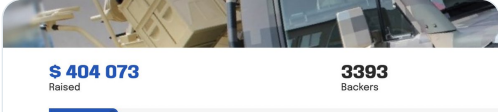
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<https://u24.gov.ua/navaldrones>



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## VIKTOR - MOBILE AIR DEFENSE FOR UKRAINE


**Dalibor Dedek**  
Dalibor Dedek is a Czech businessman, and the benefactor and co-owner of the Jablotron group of companies. After Russian invasion of Ukraine, he founded the #emumufact initiative and the #giftforputin project.


### CAMPAIGN GOAL

We want to buy 15 pieces of the Viktor air defense system of Czech manufacture. It is a modified Toyota off-road vehicle equipped with a pair of KPVT machine guns, which are capable of effectively defending strategic and civilian targets against suicide drone strikes and aerial bombardment. But there is only one goal: to close the skies over Ukraine to nazis murderers.

### WHAT WILL BE PURCHASED?

In this case, a video is better than a thousand words.



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The Viktor machine gun twin is a modernised variant of the Czech anti-aircraft weapon with a pair of KPVT machine guns that use highly effective 14.5x14 mm ammunition to destroy airborne or, if necessary, ground targets. It has a robust construction and good firing accuracy - the effective range is over 2 kilometres.



### Náboj 12,55°

Limitovaná várka piva, které oslavuje připojení Královce k České republice. Náboj je obohacený chmely Uran a Kazbek a už pro vás dozrává v našich tancích. Veškerý zisk z prodeje piva bude směřovat na...

<https://eshop.pivovarovolt.cz/products/naboj-12-55>


"A limited batch of 🍺 that celebrates the annexation of #Kralovec to 🇨🇪. All profits from the sale will go to 🇺🇦 through the Gift for Putin project." #KralovecisCzechia @DarPutinovi @pivovarovolt 🍻👏

"Unless libertarian economics is hopelessly wrong — in which case we might as well give up now — people in a free nation would be extremely prosperous. And they would presumably care about national security." Roderick T. Long



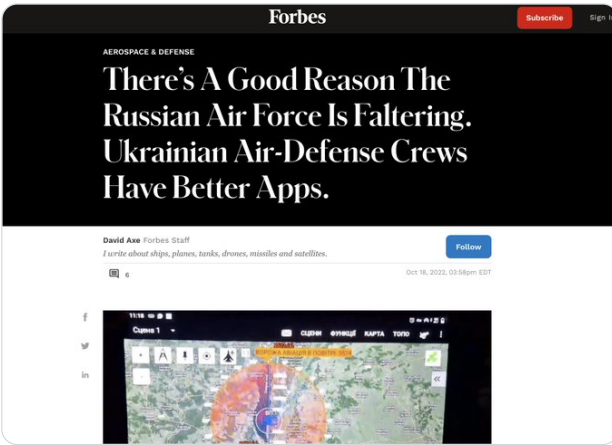
**Defending a Free Nation**  
Defense: How? How should a free nation defend itself from foreign aggression?  
Defense: Why? This question presupposes a prior question: would a free nation need to defend itself from foreign aggressi...

<https://c4ss.org/content/21393>

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A new round of donations for the Ukrainian soldiers & civilians 🇺🇦

1. While suffering from the Iranian drone attacks, Ukraine was able to increase efficiency of its air defence with the new software. Now they're fundraising for tablets to coordinate the batteries' fire



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Gustave de Molinari, 1849

<https://oll.libertyfund.org/page/gdm-soirees>

Cela ne regarde pas les économistes. L'économie politique peut dire: *si tel besoin existe*, il sera satisfait, et il le sera mieux sous un régime d'entière liberté que sous tout autre. A cette règle, aucune exception! mais comment s'organisera cette industrie, quels seront ses procédés techniques, voilà ce que l'économie politique ne saurait dire.

That does not concern the Economists. Political economy [p. 329] can say: *if such a need exists*, it will be satisfied and done better in a regime of full freedom than under any other. There is no exception to this rule. As to how this industry will be organized, what its technical procedures will be, that is something which political economy cannot tell us.

"Quindi anche la prova storica ci conferma nell'opinione della fallacia della dottrina che considera le soddisfazioni ottenute collettivamente, come necessariamente derivanti dalla natura speciale di bisogni che diconsi collettivi" Giovanni Montemartini 1900



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<https://laissez-faire.ch/it/articles/le-basi-fondamentali-di-una-scienza-finanziaria-pura/>

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