

# U.S. on Alert: Russian - Ukraine Tensions Rise



## **Lamborn Bashes Biden's Weakness on Ukraine**

President Joe Biden is not deterring Russian President Vladimir Putin from threatening to invade Ukraine. Biden's catastrophic withdrawal from Afghanistan and his refusal to prevent the Nord Stream 2 pipeline from Russia to Germany are two fiascos that have emboldened Putin. Now Putin has more than 100,000 Russian troops poised to invade Ukraine.

Joe Biden's weakness has been part of his DNA for decades. When Biden was Barack Obama's vice president, the two of them did almost nothing to prevent Putin from invading the Crimean Peninsula in Ukraine in the first place. Even from his vice president days, Biden has been part of throwing Ukraine under the bus.

Congressman Lamborn has aggressively pushed back against Biden's weaknesses in national security in many ways. The Congressman has long supported adding more money in the annual National Defense Authorization Act to protect Ukraine. He just introduced the Putin Accountability Act which would immediately shut down the Nord Stream 2 pipeline, designate Russia as a State Sponsor of Terrorism, and remove Russia from the international banking system.

When Donald Trump was President and Mike Pompeo was Secretary of State, Congressman Lamborn worked closely with them to strengthen our security assistance to Ukraine. Instead of meals and blankets, which is all that the Obama/Biden administration wanted to send, we started sending lethal aid, such as Javelin anti-tank missiles. Secretary Pompeo has endorsed Congressman Lamborn for reelection.

Congressman Lamborn was recently named the ranking Republican on the House Armed Services Committee. In this critical position he advocates for help to beleaguered friends such as Ukraine, Taiwan, and Israel.