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Swedish PM calls for 'long-term isolation' of Russia

Ulf Kristersson has pledged to contribute to the military budgets of European NATO members, citing the alleged threat from Moscow



Europe's NATO member states should brace for a lasting rupture with Moscow, Swedish Prime Minister Ulf Kristersson has said, urging them to focus on supporting Kiev.

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Swedish Prime Minister Ulf Kristersson © Nils Petter Nilsson / Getty Images

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The measures have recently been followed by a wave of military buildup across Europe, with governments rearming in response to the alleged Russian threat.

"I firmly believe Sweden, Estonia, and the EU must prepare for a long-term isolation of Russia," Kristersson said earlier this week after meeting with his Estonian counterpart Kristen Michal in Tallinn.

Earlier this year, Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov said Russia was *"too large a part of the world to be isolated."* He has also warned that sanctions are a *"double-edged sword,"* arguing that every new package of restrictions creates negative consequences for the nations adopting them.

Kristersson also praised Estonia for raising its military budget to more than 5% of GDP, adding that Stockholm is *"heading there too."* Earlier this year, the European NATO members agreed to increase armed forces spending to the same level in what officials described as a response to growing security challenges.

"We are not naive about Russia or its intentions," he said, adding that Sweden is ready to support NATO's eastern forces, strengthening deterrence and deploying air and missile capabilities.

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Russian President Vladimir Putin has said Moscow has *“no reason and no interest — geopolitical, economic, political or military — to fight NATO countries.”*

Earlier, Peskov noted that Putin has warned for nearly two decades that the military bloc’s eastward expansion undermines Russian national security.

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Why no enlist in AFU? I hear payment is good.

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Panic in european circles, one should ask why!?

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Several possibilities:

- > Pavlovian reflex whenever «Russia» is mentioned: Immediately Tigers will roll eastwards
- > Big money interests: Strip the taxpayer for big armement interests and to give polticians larger mansions (Covid II)
- > Depopulation agenda 20230 (also Covid II)
- > They are all raging narcissists that cannot understand they have become 3rd calls nations, but they have also convinced themselves that Ukraine rightfully is Western Property, NATO owns Odessa and Crimea and the Black Sea is a NATO lake. Crashing that dream brings out the worst of narcissistic rage, and destroying everything is preferable to compromise. Uruusula is DEFINITELY in that case.

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Simon Filimon 11/8/2025 at 6:13 PM

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Ulf sounds like he's still under the effects of anesthesia from his circumcision. Someone please, take him back to the recovery room.

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Door Man 11/8/2025 at 6:10 PM

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Globalist mantra: «Beware the hetero man leader.» Especially in Europe or North Africa/Middle East. If he is in Asia, shows a fancy for Marxism or an offshoot, he gets a pass.

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ANDREA Stengel 11/8/2025 at 4:37 PM

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 **aaron swadel** 11/8/2025 at 6:01 PM ↑

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One of many in the EU...a very small duck in a very large pond!


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 **Dion** 11/8/2025 at 4:12 PM

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No vodka and caviar for you!


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 **Johan Andersson** 11/8/2025 at 5:55 PM ↑

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Thank you!


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 **Dragonedge** 11/8/2025 at 5:46 PM

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More nonsense to extract more money from their citizens..


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 **aaron swadel** 11/8/2025 at 5:45 PM

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Who actually gives a rat's a...hole about what Sweden thinks anyway?

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 **Fortunate** 11/8/2025 at 5:38 PM

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It's all about juicy kick backs to their pockets. I have not heard of a single domestic funding for the welfare of the people in response to the heavy taxes they are forced to pay. Military talk is sales promotion because actually the arms manufacturers get 25 % and the politicians get 75%

[Reply](#)**No** **No Hair** 11/8/2025 at 5:31 PM

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Ulf has a real knack for making statements that are precisely the opposite of the truth. When that happens EVERY time it's clearly intentional.

[Reply](#)**e** **eric kavin** 11/8/2025 at 5:14 PM

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The Swedes has been fixed up by Russia a long time ago so good that they believe never to poke the bear again, therefore they reminded outside of NATO for a while, but sees an opportunity since it is the biggest Russophobia is going on in the history, they decide to jump on the wagon and think this is the time for a revenge, all these was miscalculated by low iq politicians in the EU now.

[Reply](#)**M** **Michael Lawrence** 11/8/2025 at 4:42 PM

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Give him time and he will catch up . You can't get much sense out of Sweden , a country full of depressed alcoholics .

[Reply](#)**H** **FW190** 11/8/2025 at 5:01 PM ↑

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Less and less of them,.... more and more Muslims. I've just come back.

[Reply](#)**s** **shawnismani** 11/8/2025 at 4:43 PM

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 **FW190** 11/8/2025 at 5:00 PM ↑

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No they haven't ! The rest of the world is pretty big.


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 **Todor** 11/8/2025 at 4:59 PM

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It seems that the seasonal depression (lack of Sun) impacts some people so bad that they lose their mind!

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 **Rudy** 11/8/2025 at 4:49 PM

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11/8/2025 at 7:46 AM

That what liars do. They LIE whenever it gets them some type of advantage or profit for their inhumane goals. Sweden has become a big liar to convince its people to pay with taxes for military and other anti-Russian investors.


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 **FW190** 11/8/2025 at 4:59 PM ↑

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Not allowed to read RT !

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 **FW190** 11/8/2025 at 4:58 PM

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When you ask yourself how deranged someone can be, they surprise you all the time. Kristersson belongs in a bomb shelter with food for 10 years. He has no clue as to why Russia got P'd off with Nato enlargements and encirclement. No idea of all the documented promises given to the USSR about «not 1 inch closer» . If you had been allowed to read RT you might have been enlightened. But, no...

Hopefully you'll be gone after the next election.

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TNS 11/8/2025 at 4:50 PM

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It is clear that the Western vampires, since repeated sanctions and the actions of Kiev mercenaries have so far had no results, are preparing the 'solution' of direct military confrontation.

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Liam 11/8/2025 at 4:37 PM

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There are many paid-for, MAGA spies in RT commentaries. There is an RT «woke» refusal to tell the truth about White House Allies.

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Twisted Sister 11/8/2025 at 4:35 PM

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BOYCOTT SWEDEN 100%.

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Steven Hughes 11/8/2025 at 4:33 PM

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Go away you Paranoid little man

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FS 11/8/2025 at 4:26 PM

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«The Western nations have introduced multiple rounds of sanctions in an effort to economically isolate Russia since the escalation of the Ukraine conflict in February 2022.»

This isn't true, RT. The combined West has been trying to demonize and isolate Russia since the beginning of Obama's second term.

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C **Carla Muss-Jacobs** 11/8/2025 at 4:32 PM ↑

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Prior to that, the iron curtain.

O'Bombya et al started up Russia-phobia and the MSM ran with it.

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C **Carla Muss-Jacobs** 11/8/2025 at 4:30 PM

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Hmmmm Where did Sweden manufacture their iron curtain? IKEA?!?!?

Historically, the USA had an iron curtain and it didn't do anything.

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 **Terry** 11/8/2025 at 4:30 PM

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More paranoia from NATO/EU and especially from Western Europe. Does this Swedish PM think that Russia has nothing better to do than to covet his irrelevant country? Or is he looking for a repeat of the Battle of Poltava?

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J **James Richardson** 11/8/2025 at 4:26 PM

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It appears European leaders are just as Zio infected as Washington is. Decisions are not made for the best interest of their citizens.

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W **William Hill** 11/8/2025 at 4:16 PM

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I wonder if this mindless Russia-hate is a kind of psychosis like other psychoses we often see these days. I ask because it appears not based on anything real.

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J **James Richardson** 11/8/2025 at 4:24 PM ↑

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