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In this 7th Debunk of the Day, we'll expose the "Chickenhawk" fallacy. The chickenhawk accusation or the "go to the front!" imperative is a dishonest attempt to silence anyone supporting Ukraine by pushing them to go fight. A barely hidden death wish, as it's always uttered...

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...with zero regard for who you are or what your personal circumstances might be — you could already be there, on your way there, a veteran, or unable to fight. More broadly, not everyone can or should be a soldier, just as not everyone can or should be a policeman or a nurse.



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Get your arse out to the front line and let us know how it goes



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**Macer Gifford** ✓

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I did dipshit. 😞  
The flowers were thrown at me when we liberated Kherson. So yes, with the right support Ukraine can beat Russia and win this war.



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Let's normalize long-range strikes into Russia

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I volunteer you to fight on the front lines in Ukraine. I'll even pay your airfare.

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Why they can't even open the profile info before commenting 😭

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Yet a society still needs those things to be done, and the fact that not everyone can go to medical school or fight crime does not mean that we have to surrender to invaders and criminals, nor that we cannot all have an opinion on healthcare.

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Time for a thread on why people who say this are fucking morons, from a guy who actually did just that.

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As is typical, many of these people think every war is Iraq or Afghanistan. Back in the Bush days, that argument actually meant something. Not saying it was the best argument, but at least it made sense because the US was directly involved in the wars.

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In those days you had people calling you a traitor if you criticized the war, but of course many of these young, healthy people had no intention of signing up.

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Even then it's not a great argument, but at least it makes sense. Many of these people could theoretically join their own country's military.

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But take the same argument and apply it elsewhere and it sounds so stupid. "Oh you don't like crime? Why don't you join the police force?" "Don't like cancer? Go to med school and do something about it."

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Personally I think the argument really worked in Vietnam, where there was a draft and certain people who vocally supported the war, even long afterward, avoided the draft. To use the argument about Ukraine, for an American, is beyond stupid. A non argument.

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Plus, as I can tell you, actually going here and signing up won't shut these people up. Every time I tell them they just deny it, call me a LARPer, war tourist, etc. So they were never arguing in good faith.

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Ukrainians have never asked others to fight this war for them. They ask only for the tools to fight. Tools we wouldn't give them when they were trying to buy them. Tools we actually took from them after 1994. Tools we already paid for for our own defense but didn't use.

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Branislav L. Slantchev

## Bad Arguments: “It’s easy for you to support the war”

*Originally published on FB on March 15, 2022*

The third installment in “stupid arguments about Russia’s war on Ukraine”.

I have recently been told repeatedly some variant of the following:

“It’s easy to support the war from the safety of your living room. Why don’t you volunteer to fight in Ukraine?”

(The more annoying version of this ends with ‘to support NATO/US imperialism’ or some such nonsense.)

I am not going to sit here and explain why we do have a dog in this fight and we have both a moral and security imperatives to aid Ukraine (I’ve done this in other posts). I am not going to explain why the idea that unless one volunteers to fight one cannot support using one’s armed forces is patently absurd. I am not going to explain why attempting to impugn the character of the person making the statement has nothing to do with the substance of the argument.

Instead, I will give it to you straight. \*I\* am not the one who has decided to fight — the Ukrainians did. \*I\* am not the one who staked their homes, their property, their lives, and the lives of their families in a struggle for liberty from Putin’s tyranny — the Ukrainians did. It is completely irrelevant what \*I\* think the moral choice would be — the Ukrainians made it for themselves. It is the Ukrainians, who told you that this war is worth fighting, and that certain kinds of “peace” are worse than death.

My choice (and yours) is whether to support the Ukrainians in this struggle or not. I have chosen to do so in the limited ways that I can. Anything I do isn’t even worth mentioning in the same sentence as what the average Ukrainian is doing. But I will do my share even if I don’t take up arms and fly to Ukraine tomorrow.

What is your choice?

Crucially, the accusation ignores the alternative: yes, it’s easy to call to resist when you’re not fighting—just as it’s easy to call to surrender when you’re not the one who’ll be tortured to death. It’s a dishonest way to avoid discussing real options in a hard situation.

Europe | Systemic and widespread

## Russia is torturing its Ukrainian captives

“Worse than the worst horror film” says the former mayor of Kherson



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**V**OLODYMYR MYKOLAYENKO is 65, but looks ten years older. A former mayor of the Ukrainian city of Kherson, he was detained by Russian forces during their eight-month occupation in 2022. Freed at the end of August, he is now giving interviews from a hospital in Kyiv. And that is refocusing attention on what the UN’s human-rights mission in the capital calls Russia’s “systematic and widespread” torture and ill-treatment of its prisoners.

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## Body of Ukrainian journalist who died in Russian detention returned by Moscow with signs of torture and with missing organs

By Ivana Kottasová, Victoria Butenko and Daria Tarasova-Markina, CNN

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A colleague of Ukrainian journalist Victoria Roshchyna holds a photograph of her during an event in honor of her memory in Kyiv, on October 11, 2024. Anatoloo Stepanov/AFP/Getty Images

**(CNN)** — The body of a young Ukrainian woman who died in Russian captivity after being held incommunicado for months was returned to Ukraine showing signs of torture, Ukrainian prosecutors have said.

Kyiv said the remains of journalist Victoria Roshchyna, who went missing during a reporting trip, were returned as part of a body exchange between Ukraine and Russia in February.

Yuriy Belousov, who heads the war crimes department at the Ukrainian Prosecutor General's Office, said that forensic examination found "numerous signs of torture and ill-treatment... including abrasions and hemorrhages on various parts of the body, a broken

Ukraine is fighting a defensive war, and there are many ways we can and must help them win. You don't have to go to the front, but please lobby your politicians to arm Ukraine, donate to Ukraine directly, bonk vatniks, and support our work:

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