

# Review of: "The Russian Invasion of Ukraine in the United States National Security Strategy: A Geopolitical Approach From Neoclassical Realism"

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Dr. Vidal Perez has examined the consistency of US policy towards the Russian invasion of Ukraine with its national strategy, employing a geopolitical approach based on neoclassical realism. In order to do this, the paper uses the analytical concept of the geographic mental map to shed light on how US foreign policymakers comprehend international politics and make decisions. What has added strength and vitality to the paper is that the author utilizes the geopolitical approach as conceptualized by Mackinder and Spykman. Spykman's concept of the Rimland is very relevant. I recommend this paper for publication in Your Esteemed Journal, Qeios.

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