## MAGA Republican appeasers help Putin, hurt America

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In a 2016 recording verified by The Washington Post, House Speaker Kevin McCarthy said: "There's two people I think Putin pays: Rohrabacher and Trump." Dana Rohrabacher was a Republican congressman who promoted Putin's interests. Trump sided with Putin against American intelligence. Now, Trump's MAGA Republican allies are taking Putin's side again.

Matt Gaetz (R-FL) called for an immediate halt to US support for Ukraine in his "Ukraine Fatigue Resolution" cosponsored by MAGA Republican appeasers including Marjorie Taylor Greene (R-GA), Lauren Boebert (R-CO) and Paul Gosar (R-AZ). It should be called the "Abandon Democracy and Appease Putin Plan."

Putin's propaganda outlet SputnikNews.com praised it and praised McCarthy, Sen. Josh Hawley (R-MO), Sen. J.D. Vance (R-OH) and NC Rep. Dan Bishop for their efforts to check Ukraine aid.

Anthony Cordesman was John McCain's national security assistant. He served in the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the National Security Council, the State Department, and the Department of Energy. Cordesman says America's Ukraine aid "exposed Russia's many military weaknesses...led Sweden and Finland to apply to join NATO, and led many NATO states to revitalize their forces." Cordesman calls it "probably the most cost-effective investment the U.S. and its strategic partners have recently made in national security."

Timothy Ash is an economist specializing in eastern Europe, Russia and Ukraine. He says: "The ability to erode Russia's conventional force with no threat or no loss to U.S. life is just incredible. The ability to destroy your enemy without putting your own forces at risk with relatively modest investment just strikes me as a gift for the U.S."

Anders Rasmussen led NATO from 2009 to 2014 and was formerly Prime Minister of Denmark. Rasmussen says: "The most important way to deter a Chinese move on Taiwan is to ensure a Ukrainian victory."

Greene promised: "Under Republicans, not another penny will go to Ukraine." Whose side are these radical MAGA Republican appeasers on?

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