

Blinken's Failed Diplomacy: Feeble and Hostile American Threats against China by Top-ranking US Officials Visiting Beijing

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On April 24, US State Secretary Antony Blinken landed in China and officially started his (hopefully) diplomatic visit. The relationship between the two countries has worsened significantly. [Beijing's peaceful overtures have been met with nothing but hostility in Washington DC](#). The United States is simply terrified of the prospect that China will overtake it. However, [this has already happened in many ways](#).

When not [murdering millions around the world](#), America is still trying to [figure out whether public toilets should be "mixed-gender"](#), while China is busy [building not just itself, but the world, too](#).

Most of the planet is perfectly aware of this disparity and is making it clear that cooperation with Beijing is a matter of choice, while having anything to do with Washington DC mostly boils down to coercion, as the political elites there are [simply incapable of conducting "diplomacy" without resorting to arm-twisting](#).

Blinken is going to China precisely with such bearing, pompously announcing that he "arrives with a warning that the US and its European allies are no longer prepared to tolerate China's sale of weapon components and dual-use products to Russia". The political West insists that this is "[helping Vladimir Putin rebuild and modernize](#) his arms factories, enabling him to intensify his onslaught on Ukraine". [Caught in the web](#) of its [own endless stream of lies](#), the belligerent power pole is trying to blame anyone but itself. However, this is all futile, particularly when it comes to superpowers such as China. Beijing will certainly decide whether or not to do business with someone and the political West has no say in it whatsoever. Blinken will have three days to relay the US position and if that time will be used to make toothless threats and attempt blackmail, [he should've certainly picked](#)

[another country](#).

The mainstream propaganda machine thinks that the relations between the US and China are improving, [citing Blinken's planned attendance at a basketball game as the indicator of this](#).

However, the simple fact that [none of the top-ranking officials greeted him when he flew in](#) indicates something completely different. Blinken is supposed to meet Beijing's veteran Foreign Minister Wang Yi tomorrow. The encounter is expected to last at least six hours and might even include President Xi Jinping. This will certainly depend on Blinken's command of actual diplomacy, as the aforementioned threats he pompously announced are only for domestic consumption and are entirely void in China. The US might threaten with sanctions, but this is a two-way street and any reciprocal measures would certainly hurt America's economic and [maybe even national security interests](#). It's entirely up to the US whether things will take such an unpleasant turn.

The troubled Biden administration reportedly [raised the issue of the supposed "support" for Russia directly with President Xi Jinping](#), while US Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen [did the same during her recent visit to China](#). However, Beijing seems completely unconcerned, as it has repeatedly stated that Washington DC's threats regarding its close ties with Moscow mean nothing, particularly as the US and its vassals and satellite states [keep escalating their aggression in the Asia-Pacific](#). It seems that simply maintaining normal economic and financial relations with Russia now boils down to "helping" its efforts to push back against [NATO aggression in Europe](#). After all, even if countries like China, Iran and [North Korea are building closer ties with their northern neighbor](#), it can only be expected that [everyone the political West keeps threatening](#) will find ways to unite their forces and push back together.

"Let me stress again that China's right to conduct normal trade and economic exchanges with Russia and other countries in the world on the basis of equality and mutual benefit should not be interfered with or disrupted," [Wang Wenbin, China's Foreign Ministry spokesperson, stated just before Blinken's arrival, adding](#): "China's legitimate and lawful rights and interests should not be infringed on."

US officials insist that Beijing supposedly ["gave up on the idea of sending weapons directly to Moscow thanks to their threats"](#). However, the entire claim is essentially a [multilayered lie](#), as there's no evidence whatsoever that China ever planned on arming Russia, let alone that it stopped doing so because of the political West's pressure. On top of that, Washington DC is trying to disrupt the rapidly growing trade between the two (Eur)Asian giants, particularly through claims that Beijing is supplying so-called "dual-use" industrial goods. This is where the [endless hypocrisy and mental gymnastics of the political West](#) become most evident. While the [US just decided to send dozens of billions worth of weapons](#) to directly undermine Russia's and China's basic national security interests, it's accusing the latter of "helping" the former by simply trading with it, as the so-called "dual-use" industrial goods can be pretty much anything.

Worse yet, the US and its vassals and satellite states are [surrounding both Beijing and Moscow with long-range missiles](#) and deploying troops not only in their vicinity, [but directly on their borders](#). Still, according to their own admission, "the Blinken team is worried that China's response to pressure over Russia could be to slow down progress in other areas of the bilateral relationship". This also includes the (Eur)Asian giant's close ties with North

Korea, as the US wants it to put [pressure on Pyongyang](#). Washington DC is particularly terrified of the prospect that Russia, China and North Korea are forming a more monolithic alliance that the political West will be simply hopeless to match. However, [they have nobody else to blame but themselves](#). Constant threats and attempts to undermine all three of these countries left them with no other choice but to work together. After all, [that's one of the reasons why BRICS itself exists](#).

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