<u>Here's What Would Happen If Russia and NATO Went to War (or World War III)</u> Opinion

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By Kris Osborn for the National Interest, Mar 1, 2017 How much of a threat do Russia's emerging 5th-generation stealth fighter, nuclear arsenal, high-tech air defenses, anti-satellite weapons, conventional army and submarines pose to NATO and the U.S? Current tensions between Russia and NATO are leading many to carefully assess this question and examine the current state of weaponry and technological sophistication of the Russian military -- with a mind to better understanding the extent of the kinds of threats they may pose. Naturally, Russia's military maneuvers and annexation of the Crimean Peninsula have many Pentagon analysts likely wondering about and assessing the pace of Russia's current military modernization and the relative condition of the former Cold War military giant's forces, platforms and weaponry. Russia has clearly postured itself in response to NATO as though it can counter-balance or deter the alliance, however some examinations of Russia's current military reveals questions about its current ability to pose a real challenge to NATO in a prolonged, all-out military engagement. Nevertheless, Russia continues to make military advances and many Pentagon experts and analysts have expressed concern about NATO's force posture in Eastern Europe regarding whether it is significant enough to deter Russia from a possible invasion of Eastern Europe. [&hellip:] http://nationalinterest.org/blog/the- ... nt-war-or-world-war-19630