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ANNEXATION OF CRIMEA AND FRESH WAR

Cold War ended more than two decades ago with a decisive victory of the West. However, at the moment it looks like that a new war is being shaped between the major world powers. This fight can be defined as the Fresh War and differs significantly from the Cold War because it is not characterized by a “zero-sum” relationship, reason being the high scale of interdependence among stakeholders on global stage. Given this dependence, the European Union seems more reluctant than the US regarding the position it had to take against the act of annexation of the Crimea by Russia. However, recent developments in Ukraine serve not only to read the true face and ambitions of the leader of the Kremlin, but also to shed light on the attitudes that Washington will adopt as part of Fresh War.