





Yesterday, today, and tomorrow, Artillery (Fires) is The King of Battle. Fires, therefore, is the first priority of national defense planning and execution. Infantry is second.

Electricity is a Fires Force.

High-speed, high-precision, echeloned, lowcost, stand-off and loitering Fires have revolutionized the front line of a battlefield.

> Fire Control demands Engineering Competence.

A great power deploys their system of education to cultivate the <u>Professional Guilds</u>: Theology, Medicine, Military Arts, Law, and Pedagogy. 1- The front line of a great power stands outwards from their Chief Decision-Making Center rather than reaching inwards towards an enemy's Chief Decision-Making Center.

2- Doctrines and Grand National Existential Objectives are Forces of statecraft as well as of nature.

3- Their integrated Diplomacy, Finance, and War-Fighting Force is the battlefield architecture a great power brings to their conduct of multi-domain statecraft.

## Now



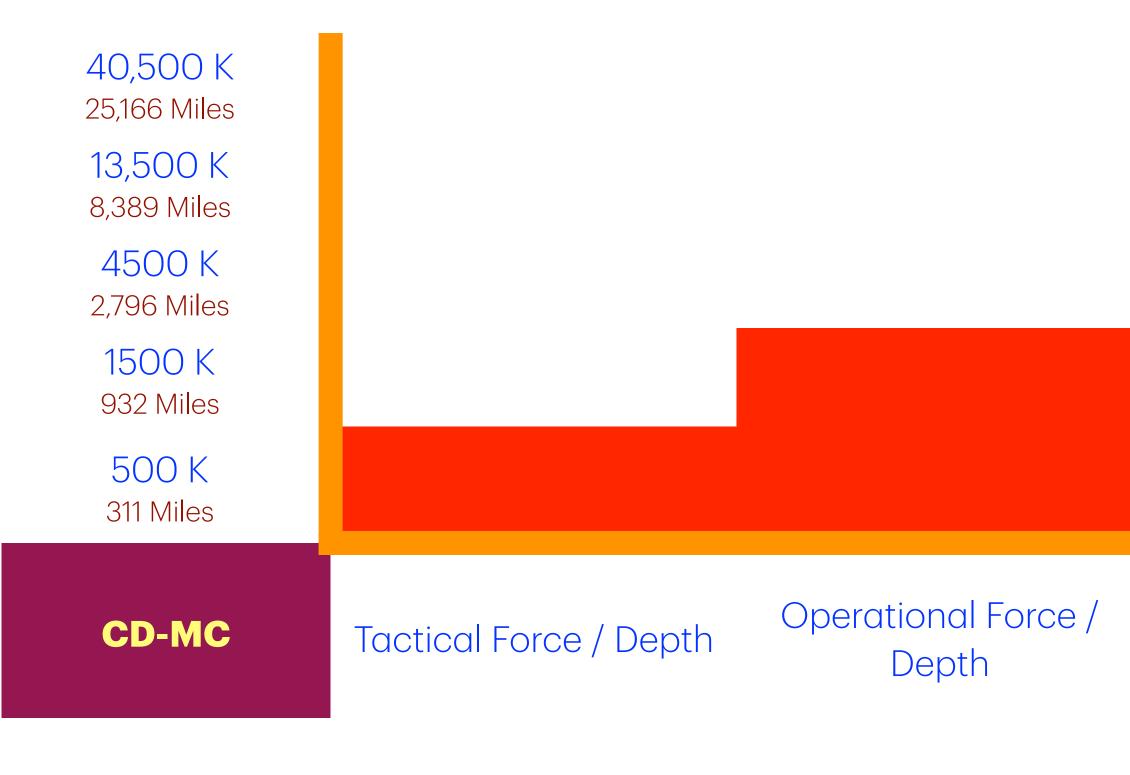
The West Door, Notre Dame de Chartres

## **Modern Great Power Battlefield Architecture**

Today, the *front line* of a great power in armed conflict — includes by proxy — is that enclosing their *Chief Decision-Making Center* (CD-MC). *That* line, no matter the areas into and over which curses and munitions fly at the moment, is the *front line* of the battlefield architecture of a modern great power in armed conflict.

The thickest front line is the most protective front line. Thickness increases with the distance a front line projects forward, omni-directionally, from its CD-MC.

A Modern Captain fights first at the Depths of his Doctrinal and Existential Forces. Success there guarantees his victory. To fight first at the Depth of his Strategic Force obliges a Modern Captain to consider victory uncertain. If compelled to fight at his Operational Depth, a Captain nears defeat. Reduced to his Tactical Depth, defeat is his.



Grand National

Strategic Force / Depth Doctrinal Force / Depth

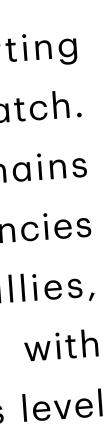
Grand National Existential Force / Depth

The main advantage of the Russians [in the SMO] is that the way they fight and the weapons they bring to the fight are **consistent** with their doctrine on warfare and their strategic objectives. doctrine or objectives change, weapons and the way they fight <u>must</u> change with them. weapons and the way they fight change, doctrines and objectives <u>may</u> change with them. The point is, regardless of conditions, through the vicissitudes of time and clime, Russians maintain **consistency** between the way they fight, their weapons, their doctrine, and their strategic objectives. internal **consistency** — a spiritual consistency — is their strength. Russian systems of education and industry Russians require to provide them means to maintain their consistency in affairs of state. Everything and everyone subordinate to Russian powers the Russian Civilization-State. It is Dharmic. national strategic welfare.

As I observe developments inside and beyond our nation's borders, I am convinced an era of onepower, one-ideology dominance passes ungraciously in fire of its own making, and an era of getting along through universal and traditional Principles of statecraft – mutual respect, peaceful coexistence, mutually beneficial cooperation \_ emerges heroically from the conflagration, to put it out. Homeland defense is in, transnational domination is out.



Statecraft is differential equations, an engineering enterprise, not a sporting event, not a ballgame, nor a chess match. We have interlocutors in all domains simultaneously, using multiple frequencies on indeterminate timelines, not allies, partners, or competitors struggling with one another on familiar playing fields level or not.



The U.S. military strategy of dividing the <mark>world into </mark>combatant commands is a colonial-style paradigm that has finally <mark>exhausted itself,</mark> <u>Kwiatkowski said</u>.



## <u>Ivan Ilyin</u>

Russia can be restored only by serving it faithfully and substantively, which must be felt and understood as serving the Cause of God on earth. We must be guided by religiously meaningful patriotism and religiously inspired nationalism.

True nationalism opens a person's eyes to the national identity of other peoples: it teaches one not to despise other peoples, but to honor their spiritual achievements and their national feeling, because they too have received the gifts of God, and they put them to use in their own way, according to

Whoever loves Russia must wish it freedom; first of all, freedom for Russia itself, its international independence and freedom; [then] freedom for Russia as the unity of Russian and all other national cultures; and, finally, freedom for Russian people, freedom for all of us; freedom of faith, [freedom in] the search for truth, creativity, labor, and the possession of property.

Ukraine is recognized as the most endangered part of Russia in terms of secession and conquest. Ukrainian separatism is an artificial phenomenon, it has no real grounds. It arose because of the ambition of leaders and international conquest intrigues.

Foreigners who plan to dismember [Ukraine] should remember that they declare eternal war on the whole of Russia. The country that is responsible for this dismemberment will become Russia's most hated enemy.

