

U.S. Rep. Gallagher: Officials claiming integrated deterrence succeeded in Ukraine should go to Kyiv or Mariupol

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WASHINGTON, D.C. – Rep. Mike Gallagher (R-WI), a member of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence and House Armed Services Committee, today released the following statement after the Biden administration continued to claim in a [Washington Post article](#) that their concept of “integrated deterrence” has been successful in Ukraine.

“That the Biden Pentagon is spiking the football on the so-called success of integrated deterrence in Ukraine is a stunning show of hubris. Deterrence, specifically integrated deterrence, failed in Ukraine. And though the Ukrainians are fighting bravely and the Russian army looks weak and incompetent, the war is still in its early stages and likely to grow more unpredictable. The same brave senior Pentagon official speaking on the condition of anonymity and saying ‘that the model of integrated deterrence comes out smelling pretty good from this’ should go to Kyiv or Mariupol and smell the rotting flesh of Putin’s innocent victims.”