Some people have been alarmed by a recent statement by Congress. Many think this is the start of a cold war (which is invisible and based on spies and emotions) and a hot war. Not so.

Putin is defying the western world, which has formerly demanded that he remove all invading troops from former Soviet-era countries. These countries have been functioning independently with established borders for decades.

Right in Putin's backyard is the radioactive city of Pripyat, which is administered by Kiev. It is a perfect example exactly what any city on Earth not directly hit by a nuclear weapon will look like after 30 years. Chernobyl's meltdown contaminated this city. It was rapidly evacuated by Soviet Union military. It will remain permanently uninhabitable for thousands of years. Even after thousands of years, poisonous and toxic elements will remain that do not break down in nature.

Anyone can visit Pripyat with the right documents, but your visit time will be limited due to radiation still present from nearby Chernobyl. All visitors are registered and screened by Russian military personnel for possessions before they enter the city and told how long they can stay. Radiation warning alarms are provided. Visitors are decontaminated of radiation after leaving the city by the military.

Following images are from a drone video. Images silently show a real post-nuclear world. Even if Putin ordered the use nuclear weapons in a war, it is highly unlikely his generals would agree to it.

Some of these images of highly radioactive Pripyat must still be in the minds of Russia's generals...

![Permanent ghost town Pripyat stretches for many miles.](image1)

Built in 1970 the population was 49,360 in April 1986. People lived in 13,414 apartments in 160 apartment blocks. 18 halls of residence accommodated up to 7,621 single males or females.

![Hammer and sickle Soviet-era emblem still stands on the roof](image2)
Growing on another rooftop - nature is taking over with trees

Radioactive plant growing through a radioactive door says it all...

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