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SOVIET UNION: The Threat to Europe

Thinking Soviet in Assessing Canada's Contribution to Collective Security

John G. Hines and Phillip A. Petersen

"While there is general agreement on the existence of a commitment-capability gap in Canadian defence policy, if one counts permutations and derivations of the various proposals to alter Canada's defence commitment, Canada may be the first NATO country with more "options" than tanks."

The Soviet Naval Operations in a Continental Theatre of Strategic Military Actions

Theodore A. Neely Jr.

"Since the Communist Party of the Soviet Union at its October 1964 Plenum first accepted the possibility that war in Europe could remain conventional and as the Soviets over the years have refined and emphasized their non-nuclear warfighting options, the importance of naval operations in continental theatres of strategic military actions(TSMAs) has increased almost by definition."

Soviet Naval Operations in Oceanic Theatres of Strategic Military Action

Wayne A. Wright

"The Soviet Navy has two main functions in war: strategic offence and strategic defence. These two functions are primarily the responsibility of naval forces deployed in what the Soviets call oceanic theatres of strategic military action."

Confrontation in Europe

Christopher Donnelly

"The combination of historical experience, clear practical necessity, ideological desirability and justification, coupled with a re-emergence of Russian national feeling and tradition has not acted simply to create a large military element in the Soviet society. Rather it has encouraged Soviet society to become militarized."