

## 1 Afghanistan

USA's unilateral pullout of troops mid August, 2021, shocked the world. While the superpower's allies scrambled to follow the actions of the leader, it left a bitter taste in their mouths due to the feeling of being abandoned and betrayed by their ally. Former UK Prime Minister Tony Blair, who in 2001 took Britain into war in Afghanistan alongside the United States, condemned the "abandonment" of the country as "dangerous" and "unnecessary", while France, due to their mistrust of US leadership in Afghanistan, started pulling out their troops already in May! However the feelings of betrayal came from Germany, whose military presence was second only to the United States. "I say this with a heavy heart and with horror over what is happening, but the early withdrawal was a serious and far-reaching miscalculation by the current administration," said Norbert Röttgen, chairman of the German parliament's foreign relations committee. "This does fundamental damage to the political and moral credibility of the West." Following numerous years of the Trump administration and now the biggest foreign policy blunder in the last decades, none of US' staunchest allies are happy, causing a tension and rifts in US foreign relations.

The USA, as the only existing superpower, will nonetheless have an advantage in the upcoming sessions. Its stark military power, as well as political influence give it an almost an armipotent position in geopolitcal issues. However, the delegation representing the United States should be very wary of growing Chinese and Russian influence. Its goal is to restore amicable and trusting relations with its NATO and other allies, while trying to retain power in the Central Asian region through diplomatic means!

## 2 Turkey - Greece relations:

NATO is the strongest military alliance the world has ever seen. Unfortunately, the US' policies haven't made the internal workings of it easy. USA demanding more military spending, abandoning its allies in Afghanistan, stabbing France in the back with the AUKUS deal seem like huge blunders, but the Turkey- Greek conflict supersedes the rest and seems to be the likeliest reason for the potential disbandment of NATO.

Turkey has been buying military missile systems from Russia, which compromises US influence. Erdogan has long had political problems with the USA, which is the result of modern turkey following a completely different path than the Turkey after WW2. It is important to curb Russian intervention in the Caucuses by deescalating the current tension between Greece and Turkey in the most peaceful way possible. The continuation of this conflict isn't advantageous to the USA, which wishes to see a strong and united NATO once again!



Fig. 1: US Flag

