

# [***Victoria Spartz Reacts To Trump NATO/Russia Comments, Details Surprise Reelection Run***](https://advance.lexis.com/api/document?collection=news&id=urn:contentItem:6BB1-13K1-DXVP-500R-00000-00&context=1516831)

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**Highlight:** Rep. Victoria Spartz said in 2023 that she would not be seeking reelection. Last week, she announced she changed her decision and explains why on "Forbes Newsroom."

**Body**

Congresswoman Victoria Spartz (R-IN) joined **Forbes Newsroom** to discuss her surprise 2024 reelection run, which came after initially declaring in 2023 she would not seek another term.

Unfortunately, this Congress turned into really drama, and not a lot of things are going to be delivered that I worked extremely hard on, Spartz explained**.**  I felt that I need to give [my constituents] a choice of someone who actually would fight for them, not personal agenda. We have too many people in ***politics*** like that.

Spartz noted that issues like border security and foreign policy are top of mind, and pointed out that she was very disappointed in the handling of both the Ukraine-Russia war and the Israel-Hamas war. The Indiana Republican accused the Biden Administration of really not having a policy strategy that covers actions.

Spartz also weighed in on former President Donald Trump s controversial remarks this weekend about NATO at a rally in South Carolina. Trump said he would encourage Russia to do whatever the hell they want if a NATO country did not pay its pledged share for the multinational defense alliance.

NATO Secretary General Jens Stoltenberg reportedly said that Trump s comments undermine the security of the United State and puts American troops at increased risk. But the Indiana Republican told**Forbes** she was not concerned about the former President s comments. Ultimately, he s campaigning right now I care more about what President Biden [does], and I ll hold him accountable.

Watch the full conversation above.

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