



## Rep. Tom Emmer on The Evening Edit

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**\*\*LIZ:**

\*\* Thank you so much for taking the time to be with us. Can you tell us more about this? Because it's a big difference from Joe Biden's appeasement rhetoric, with nothing to back it up, telling Putin, quote, don't. That's what you say to a two-year-old.

**\*\*REP. TOM EMMER:**

\*\* Well, it's good to be with you, Liz. And it's an understatement to say that this is much different than what Joe Biden would have done. Joe Biden's the reason that Russia was allowed to invade Ukraine. President Trump has shown us again. And I think it's really important to point out to the American people, it's not just the tariffs. But when he talks about the weapons, what he's saying is that U.S. weapons manufacturers will build these weapons. And guess what? NATO is going to pay for them. So not the U.S. taxpayer. Donald Trump has done it again. He is showing you why he's the master negotiator. And he's going to get peace one way or another in that part of the world.

**\*\*LIZ:**

\*\* So Ukraine's Zelensky just applauded Trump's peace through strength. That's a direct quote. Trump also got NATO allies to double their defense spending to 5 percent of their GDP. That means that NATO allies are standing up like true allies. He's also said, Zelensky, though, is also saying cut off Russia's war financing. So can the U.S. block Russia from the swift international system used for messaging to settle oil trades worldwide?

**\*\*REP. TOM EMMER:**

\*\* Well, the U.S. financial system is still the most powerful in the world. There's a lot of things that U.S. financial sanctions, economic sanctions can accomplish, especially when we're not just talking about Russia. We're talking about anyone who does business with Russia. Everybody's been put on notice that when Donald Trump speaks, Donald Trump means what he says. So rather than get into the weeds on what they can and can't do, I think the message has been delivered to not just Putin and his supporters, but anybody that does business with Putin is on notice that they will suffer the consequences if this is not taken care of within the next 30 days.

**\*\*LIZ:**

\*\* And here we go. Haas majority whip. Tom Emmer. Sir, thanks for being with us tonight. It's good to see you again.

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