## Swinland

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#### Swinland was an election ploy---even if it was technically cooperation, Erdogan got concessions and spun it as anti-NATO

Turak 6/29 — Natasha Turak, “NATO deal between Turkey, Sweden and Finland brings home wins for Erdogan — and a possible F-16 breakthrough,” CNBC, 6-29-2022, https://www.cnbc.com/2022/06/29/nato-deal-between-turkey-sweden-and-finland-brings-wins-for-erdogan.html, accessed 7-2-2022 WMK

Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan was staunch in his demands of Sweden and Finland, which centered on their relationships with groups that Turkey’s government deems a terrorist threat.

What is a big win for NATO is also a victory for Erdogan, analysts say, and one that the president needed in order to shore up domestic support as his economy flounders and Turks struggle with inflation that’s exceeded 70%.

“Win all around, apart from Putin who is the big loser in all this,” Timothy Ash, an emerging markets strategist at Bluebay Asset Management, wrote in a note Wednesday. “Good decision by Erdogan. He takes some political capital into elections.”

“He negotiated hard, right up to the last minute, and got real wins with assurances” on security issues and likely on more military equipment from the U.S., Ash wrote. “He had his call with Biden and will get his one-on-one with Biden at Madrid. He comes back in from the cold with the West.”

Turkey ‘got what it wanted’

The breakthrough with Turkey followed four hours of talks and weeks of deliberations and debate, culminating in a trilateral agreement between Turkey, Sweden and Finland. The agreement involved the Nordic countries lifting arms embargoes they had previously imposed on Turkey, toughening their laws against Kurdish militant activists that Ankara deems to be terrorists, and addressing Turkish extradition requests for suspected Kurdish fighters.

#### Swinland was not cooperation---this confirms our uniqueness

Ghosh 7/1 — Bobby Ghosh “Erdogan Missed a Big Opportunity With NATO” Washington Post. July 1st, 2022. <https://www.washingtonpost.com/business/erdogan-missed-a-big-opportunity-with-nato/2022/07/01/3f1c90b6-f90c-11ec-81db-ac07a394a86b_story.html> WMK

In the weeks and months ahead, Erdogan will talk up his success in Spain as he ratchets up his re-election campaign. With less than a year to go before he faces an electorate in severe economic distress, the president will take any opportunity for chest-thumping he can get.

But Turks paying close attention to the 11th-hour machinations in Madrid will know Erdogan gained very little — and may have lost a lot. If he got a few talking points for his campaign speeches, the president gave up a chance to return Turkey to the high table of international affairs.

He could have played it differently. Instead of holding up Sweden and Finland, Erdogan might have used his status as NATO’s longest-serving leader to be the statesman at a time of strife. His views about the crisis growing along NATO’s eastern borders, with the war in Ukraine and anxiety in the Baltics, would have been especially valuable because he enjoys a closer relationship with Russian President Vladimir Putin than anybody else in the alliance.

Instead, his gamesmanship confirmed Erdogan’s reputation within NATO as a spoiler who pursues personal advantage above the collective good. When Sweden and Finland join the alliance, the list of members with bitter experience of his self-serving opportunism will grow by two. The others, already angered by his making common cause with Putin and compromising the security of the group as a whole by purchasing Russian missile-defense systems, won’t forget that when a major crisis confronted them all, Erdogan chose to play parochial politics.

#### Its not cooperation, it’s a transaction---Erogan is extracting demands from NATO to play to his nationalist platform

AP 6/30 ­— AP, “Erdoğan warns Turkey could still block Finland and Sweden’s accession to Nato,” The Guardian 6-30-2022, https://www.theguardian.com/world/2022/jun/30/erdogan-warns-turkey-could-still-block-finland-and-swedens-accession-to-nato, accessed 7-2-2022 WMK

Just two days after agreeing to lift deal-breaking objections to Sweden and Finland’s Nato accession, Turkey’s president has warned that Ankara could still block the process if the two countries fail to fully meet his expectations.

Recep Tayyip Erdoğan said at the close of the alliance’s summit in Madrid that the 10-article agreement with the Nordic pair was a victory for Ankara and addressed all its “sensitivities”.

He particularly stressed the satisfying of Turkey’s demand for Sweden and Finland to extradite terror suspects with links to outlawed Kurdish groups or the network of an exiled cleric accused of a failed 2016 coup in Turkey.

But Erdoğan added that if the two Nordic countries renege on their promises, Turkey’s parliament could refuse to ratify the deal reached on Tuesday. Nato accession must be formally approved by all 30 member states, which gives each a blocking right.

“This business will not work if we don’t pass this in our parliament,” Erdoğan said. “First, Sweden and Finland must fulfil their duties and those are already in the text … But if they don’t fulfil these, then of course there is no way we would send it to our parliament.”