

Nukes

**By taking nuclear blackmail seriously,
we have actually increased the
overall chances of nuclear war.**

**If nuclear blackmail enables a Russian victory,
the consequences will be incalculably awful.
If any country with nuclear weapons can do
whatever it likes, then law means nothing,
no international order is possible, and
catastrophe beckons at every turn.**

**Countries without nuclear weapons will
have to build them, on the logic that they
will need nuclear deterrence in the future.
Nuclear proliferation would make nuclear war
much more likely in the future.**

**Timothy Snyder, New York Times, May 6, 2022,
on Russia's threats to use nuclear weapons
to guarantee a win in its war with Ukraine**