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Should United States Government (USG) tax payer's dollars-if any-be expended towards nuclear security in Russia? Yes, the argument may go, if there's a linkage between dollars and nuclear security. However, supporters of a linkage may argue that the linkage may be a positive or negative one. To the former, the more money is spent on safely and fully employing Russian nuclear weapons scientists and on dismantling and destroying nuclear weapons assets, the more security one has obtained. To the latter, the less money is spent on anything Russian, the more the Russian government and nuclear weapons personnel will act responsibly-i.e., safely-in the hope of receiving more money.