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Klaus and Soros of a single mind



When Václav Klaus compares the EU to the USSR, his detractors chalk it up to his illiberal views and his orientation toward a Russia that wants to break the Western alliances apart. How will these same people react to a similar comment by their liberal hero George Soros?

He told the [Financial Times](#) that the EU reminds him in some ways of the waning days of the Soviet Union, with a Brussels bureaucracy failing to understand that it is losing the battle. [Respekt magazine](#) wrote last week that Brussels doesn't seem to be very interested in addressing Andrej Babiš's conflict of interest and that Babiš's opponents will need to look elsewhere for support. During a slew of media appearances in Prague last week, EU

Commissioner Věra Jourová tended to support a let's-tread-lightly view by saying that Babiš's fate as a politician isn't the only one at stake. As you ponder this, keep in mind that the Soviet Union collapsed because its biggest supporters suddenly stopped defending it.

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