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The ongoing Ukraine .....  
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Answer:

## I. INTRODUCTION

The world is facing too many ongoing crisis or the threat of crisis right now. Two of such crisis are Ukraine crisis and Taiwan crisis. Ukraine issue has been ongoing for quite a some time now. However, the crisis of Taiwan has not yet happened. Both of them have some common points as well as some differences. Starting from common points, both crisis are same as there is ideological and family ties: Then ~~the~~ Russia and China do not accept the rival parties, Ukraine and Taiwan. The leaders, Putin and Xi Jinping, are nationalists. Both have similar approach and the destruction from both crisis will be inevitable. Now, for the differences, Ukraine-Russia is one-on-one war but Taiwan crisis won't be a one-on-one war. Security concerns for US are different in both crisis. And lastly, the terrain of both conflicts is very different.

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## II. SIMILARITIES IN TAIWAN AND UKRAINE CRISIS.

Similarities in both Crisis

- Ideological and family ties
- Unacceptance of other party
- Nationalist leaders
- Same approach of Putin and Xi
- Destruction is inevitable

### i- Ideological and Family Ties

The Russ dynasty is the prefather of Russia. This dynasty's capital was Kyiv. Kyiv is the capital of Ukraine. So Russia claims Ukraine on this stance that it is the land of their forefathers.

The China claims Taiwan because in 17<sup>th</sup> century, the Hans, most important dynasty for China, started to settle in Taiwan. So they claim Taiwan as their own, a part of China.

Putin's father is from Russia but mother is from Ukraine.

### ii- Unacceptance of other party

China has one country, two systems



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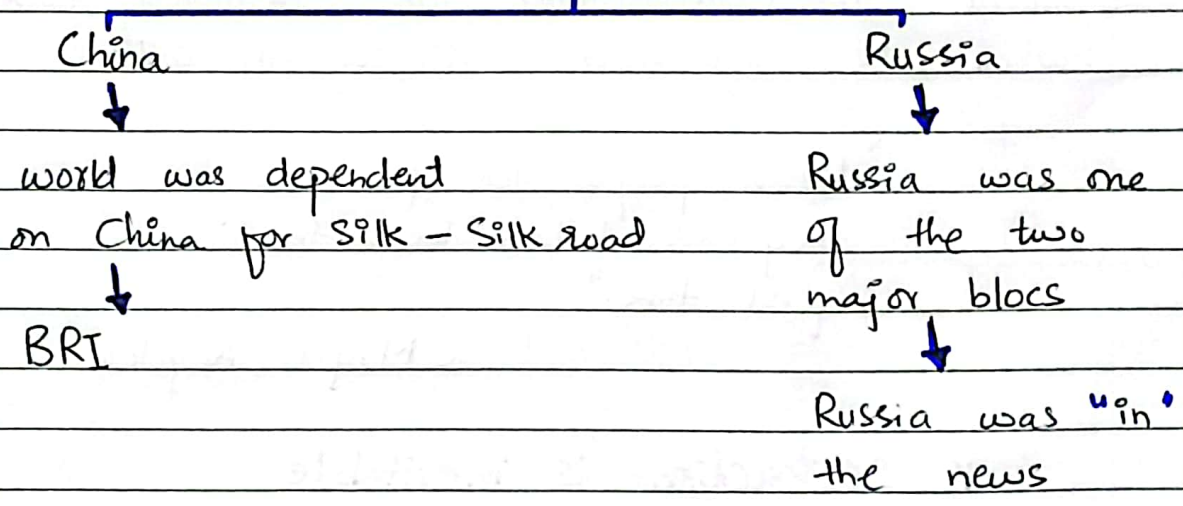
policy. Taiwan, Hongkong, Macau can have their own political system but they will be a part of China

Russia claims that there is no Ukraine. The President Putin wrote an essay in which he said:

"There is nothing like Ukraine in the world. It is part of the Russia. One might deviate from history claiming to have a territory called Ukraine."

iii. Putin and Xi being nationalist leaders

Revival of old glory



China needs the old glory back when world was dependent on China for silk. The revival of the old silk road through BRI project is their goal.

Russia has seen the days when it was "in" the news. Putin need that



glory back in Russia.

#### iv. Same approach of both leaders

China's president is very clear about Taiwan. According to Xi Jinping

"I do not want the problem of ~~China~~ Taiwan to extend to another generation. I want to tell people of China that Taiwan is coming home."

On the other hand, Putin also has the same approach. He was very clear that any move of NATO towards Ukraine will be dealt with iron hands. The world did not take him seriously even when he attacked Crimea in 2014.

"When people tell you who they are, believe them the first time."

~ Maya Angelou

#### v. Destruction is inevitable

In Russia-Ukraine crisis, world is facing food and energy crisis.

In case of Taiwan crisis, world will be facing technological crisis. No electronic device can work without semiconductor chip.

63% of semiconductor manufacturing is done in Taiwan

### III. DIFFERENCES BETWEEN TAIWAN AND UKRAINE CRISIS

Differences between both Crisis

- Unlike Ukraine, Taiwan will not be one-on-one war
- Security Concerns for US
- Difference in Terrain of both disputes

i. Unlike Ukraine, Taiwan will not be one-on-one war

Ukraine is alone in the war because there is no "Ukraine Relations Act".

In case of Taiwan, due to TRA, Taiwan will not be alone. It will atleast be China vs. Taiwan and US.

US has signed TRA (Taiwan Relations Act) with Taiwan.

ii. Security Concerns for US

In case of Ukraine, there is no direct threat of Security to US. There is NATO between US and Russia.

Russia — NATO — US

China — Taiwan — US

On the other hand, Taiwan is the only geopolitical barrier between US and



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China. It poses a direct security ~~dis~~ threat to US.

iii- Difference in Terrain of both disputes

Ukraine is flat Terrain with ~~no~~ tractors and fields.

That is why it is also known as bread basket of Europe.

On the other hand, Taiwan is opposite. It has cities between mountains. It is also 160 km away from mainland China.

\* Ukraine → Plainfield with tractors and fields.

\* Taiwan → Mountains on all 4 sides.  
→ 160 km away from mainland China

IV. CONCLUSION

Both disputes carry dangerous outputs. There are some similarities and some differences in both conflicts. However, war is not a solution for anything.

