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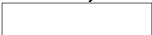
# The Nature of Soviet Military Doctrine



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### Soviet Perceptions of German Revanchism

To Soviet ears, the first verse of the West German national anthem, "Deutschlandlied" (formerly "Deutschland, Deutschland über Alles") sounds like a revanchist call to war. Because of its association with the Nazi Third Reich, West Germany substituted the third verse as the official words in 1952. Recently, however, the first verse has begun being taught in West German schools in the state of Baden-Württemberg.



Golo Mann (son of author Thomas Mann and a leading figure on the center-left of West German politics):  
*"Compared with the French, British, and US anthems, the German piece is relatively harmless and unmilitaristic."*

West German national anthem, first stanza:  
*"From the Maas (Meuse River) to the Memel (Neman River),  
From the Etsch (Adige River) to the Belts (Danish Straits) --  
Germany, Germany over all,  
Over all in the world!"*

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