

U.S. departure from Afghanistan was a fiasco — and President Biden owns it

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Quote

“ It didn't have to be this way. The U.S. government could have decided to do only what was militarily achievable — destroy the enemy wherever he hid — including in Pakistan — and we could have de-escalated our involvement years ago. After thousands of precious warriors' lives were lost, we should have at least maintained a very small presence there, like the U.S. military presence at the end of Trump's term, to keep order, conduct airstrikes, and to back the ANSF. ”

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