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Common sense by itself has its vices

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depths of despotism" 1689 Declaration of Rights in England
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What were the Moscow trials

Proposes an association of English speaking people

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Afterward

large nuclear arsenals
terrorist countries have them

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properly thought out - we
had no need to do it

Russian foreign policy / ^{wrong} ~~storing~~
China - they may change but
might not

Kosovo - western misadventure

Popular popular foundations of foreign policy are not
strong - in part because media coverage of
events has been inadequate

~~Coarsening~~ ~~coarsening~~ coarsening of social and
intellectual atmosphere in the West - dumbing down

Western intellectuals' indoctrination of their own utopian
fantasies

From 1917 - Stalin to Mao to Vietnam to Cuba - to Sandinistas

We need civic order - unity and power of
the democratic culture

How often is history distorted? What are the reasons.

Author - British Foreign Office 1939-1945
Briefed Henry Jackson 1972/1977
Wrote first Iron Lady speech (Thatcher)