

Abstract of István Dobozi's article in the Hungarian weekly  
Élet és Irodalom with the title: "Obama világpolitikai hagyatéka"  
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In his article entitled „The legacy of Obama's foreign policy” Mr. Dobozi notes:

Is there an Obama doctrine in foreign policy? Was Obama a realist bent on avoiding conflict or a values driven idealist who learned from his predecessor costly military adventures and saw the mounting challenges of Pax Americana?

While the departing president was praised overseas for his studied restraint and minimalist use of military power, domestically he was viewed as weak.

The American led liberal world came under pressure, authoritarian regimes grew, international security weakened and terrorism expanded. The strengthening of China and Russia gave impulse to the notion that the world is moving from an unipolar stage to a threepolar one. On top of this, Donald Trump could easily erase Obama's few foreign policy successes. Is it possible that while Obama was busy saving his country from an economic depression, he was far too soft with America's main adversaries?