
EUROPE BEGINS ITS SLOW RETREAT FROM US DEPENDENCE

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European governments and corporations are racing to reduce their exposure to U.S. technology, military hardware and energy resources as transatlantic relations sour.

For decades, the EU relied on NATO guarantees to ensure security in the bloc, and on American technology to power its business. Donald Trump's threats to take over Greenland, and aggressive comments about Europe by members of his administration, have given fresh impetus to European leaders' call for "independence."

If we want to be taken seriously again, we will have to learn the language of power politics, German Chancellor Friedrich Merz said last week.

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