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This is Germany's object and hope, also in the present situation.

A hope speculating mainly on the abhorrence and rejection, resp. fear, of Bolshevik domination prevailing amongst the 300 and odd millions Europeans, who live between the English Channel - and the Eurasiatic Empire ruled by Stalin, heading 80 millions Muscovites. The idea of Muscovite leadership is equally strongly rejected by the Asiatic neighbours of the Soviet Union /Turkey, China, etc./.

Germany is trying to take advantage of this situation, seeking to secure the support or the neutrality of all these nations in a third Punic War.

The Western Powers could hardly hope to counter this German scheme by some such arrangement as "spheres of influence", whether accepted by them de facto, or granted de jure.

In political reality, such an arrangement would fatally turn out to be a "societas leonina", in which the part of the lion, at first apparently played by Moscow, would ultimately fall to Germany.

Moreover, the "spheres of influence" doctrine is an old stand-by of imperialist expansionism.

In contemporary political terminology, its German name is "Lebensraum" - the Muscovite equivalent of which is "the international solidarity of the proletariat".

Neither the great democracies of Britain, America and France, nor the smaller ones, have evolved a modern version of that doctrine, because their people do not seem willing to accept the idea.

As a matter of fact, many of them think that they fight this war against its revival.