



## Badenoch & Blair urge Starmer to join austerity pact

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Keir Starmer, Kemi Badenoch, Tony Blair (austerity)

In a letter to Keir Starmer, Kemi Badenoch has urged Keir Starmer to enter into a pact with her Conservative Party. Her plan is to inflict more austerity on the British public for the sake of giving handouts to greedy defence contractors. And as she notes, Tony Blair is urging Starmer to do the same thing:

Our Armed Forces cannot defend Britain on empty promises and delayed plans.

Keir Starmer's Defence Ministers resigned as his plan falls short. Their warnings are extremely serious.

I've written to the PM offering the support of my MPs to vote to cut welfare to fund defence. [pic.twitter.com/aBTSVdOeV8](https://pic.twitter.com/aBTSVdOeV8)

â?? Kemi Badenoch (@KemiBadenoch) [June 14, 2026](#)

The question is this: will Keir Starmer agree to work with the worst of all people for the worst possible reasons, or will he be kicked out of office before he gets chance?

## Always money for war

By population, the UK is the [22nd largest country in the world](#) by defence spending, [we're the fifth](#). This is clearly a hangover from our time as a globe-spanning empire; a hangover which lumps us with a massive bill for unclear benefits. â??Unclear benefitsâ?? for the public, anyway. Obviously there's a

massive benefit to the arms companies – companies which use their ill-gotten gains to push for more bloodshed – bloodshed which stains the hands that sign the cheques which finance operators like Blair.

Appealing to Starmer, Badenoch penned the following:

Today’s world is more dangerous and threatening than we have known in our lifetimes. Britain and our allies are confronted by authoritarian states who want to destabilise and divide us. Yet in the space of 12 hours your Defence Secretary, Armed Forces Minister and two key Defence Department aides resigned from your Government. They raised extremely serious concerns about our national defence readiness, and the funding of our military. The former Defence Secretary repeated the warning that – if it is our intelligence assessment, and the assessment of other countries in NATO, that there could be an attack by Russia on NATO as soon as 2030 –

Let’s tackle these points in order:

Firstly, the world is definitely a more dangerous and threatening place, and while Russia has contributed to that, let’s not forget our ally Israel – whether it’s [the genocide in Gaza](#) [the war on Iran](#) or [the ethnic cleansing we’re seeing in Lebanon](#) – more weapons won’t stop Israel from dragging us into conflict; it will simply encourage and reward them – especially as we buy from Israeli defence contractors like [Elbit Systems](#)

Secondly, Russia is failing to win against Ukraine – a single nation which is *not* a nuclear power. The idea that Russia will be powerful enough to attack NATO and then survive the nuclear fallout is ridiculous, whether they attack us in 2030 or 2130.

You are not a serious person if you think otherwise.

## Badenoch – The stench of Blair

Badenoch also said:

It is time to get serious. We cannot have our military inadequately funded at a time of growing threats. The funding must also not be backloaded, when the pressures are urgent.

I have made several offers to work with you in the national interest to reduce benefit spending so we can invest more in our defence. Sir Tony Blair, the longest serving Labour Prime Minister, has urged you to accept them.

Gee, we wonder why the disgraced war criminal Tony Blair would view endless conflict as more worthy than the welfare of British citizens?

Lest we forget, Labour didn’t back down on the welfare cuts because Starmer grew a conscience; [it backed down because targeting sick and disabled people disgusted the public](#)

Keir Starmer would have to be entirely devoid of intelligence to sign up to a devil's pact with Kemi Badenoch and Tony Blair. And that's the problem; he *is* entirely devoid of intelligence, and so it seems is his most-likely replacement:

 NEW | Andy Burnham confirms he will cut welfare benefits to pour billions into war spending.

The aspiring PM said "I am not squeamish about saying that the plan would be to reduce the welfare bill", insisting he'll slash benefits to "support people into work"

(Via [@TheTimes](#) [pic.twitter.com/5NDMVE9hmy](https://pic.twitter.com/5NDMVE9hmy))

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## Paradoxical

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Iran has shown that it's possible to counter Western military expenditure with cheap and cheerful tech like drones, fast boats, and mines. This is a real threat to the arms industry, because if missiles that cost millions apiece are now redundant, why on't need to be spending so much on weapons, do we?

To counter this, the war cries are becoming ever more shrill and ever more preposterous.

In other words, expect to hear a lot more from Tony Blair and his apparent fangirl Kemi Badenoch over the coming months.

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