



Kosovo: What Next? The UN Security Council or Bust?

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Theme: Kosovo's status in the UN Security Council: A path forward or a dead end? The role of the EU and NATO in the process.

Summary: The UN Security Council's failure to pass a resolution on Kosovo's status in April 2008 has led to a stalemate. The EU and NATO have taken a unilateral approach, but this has not resolved the issue. The UN Security Council remains the only body with the authority to resolve the dispute, but it is currently blocked by the veto of the United States and Russia.

Analysis: Almost a decade after the 1999 NATO intervention, Kosovo's status remains unresolved. The UN Security Council's inaction has created a vacuum that has been filled by unilateral actions by Kosovo and NATO. The EU's role has been limited to providing a framework for dialogue, but it has not been able to enforce its will. The UN Security Council's failure to act has led to a loss of confidence in the international system. The EU and NATO's unilateral approach has not resolved the issue and has instead created a new set of problems. The UN Security Council remains the only body with the authority to resolve the dispute, but it is currently blocked by the veto of the United States and Russia. The EU and NATO's unilateral approach has not resolved the issue and has instead created a new set of problems. The UN Security Council remains the only body with the authority to resolve the dispute, but it is currently blocked by the veto of the United States and Russia.

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