

# ppi newsletter foreign policy

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### EUROPE

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#### **Netherlands Joins Russo-German Gas Pipeline Project**

By Vladimir Socor

On November 6 Gazprom chairman Alexei Miller and Nederlandse Gasunie CEO Marcel Kramer signed a framework agreement on Gasunie joining Nord Stream, the project to build a gas pipeline from Russia directly to Germany on the Baltic seabed.

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#### **Moscow Forcing Lufthansa to Switch from Kazakhstan to Siberia Hub**

By Vladimir Socor

Russia's Transport Ministry has threatened to close Russia's air space to Lufthansa's cargo flights to East Asian countries, unless Lufthansa Cargo establishes a Russian ground-based hub for its East Asia business.

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#### **Yushchenko Wants Transparent Energy Deals with Moscow**

By Sergei Blagov

Russia, Ukraine divided over obscure refinery deal. Russia's top officials are loudly complaining about Kyiv's tactics in a bitter dispute over Ukraine's Kremenchug refinery, pledging to defend the interests of the Russian shareholders there.

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### TRANSATLANTIC

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#### **Engagement and Multilateralism**

By Michael Rubin

Multilateralism sounds good in theory, but it is

no substitute for reality.

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### RUSSIA

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#### **The Next Putintate**

**To follow the Russian elections, follow the money.**

By Daniel Kimmage and Dmitry Sidorov

Russians will go to the polls to elect a new president in March 2008, Americans in November, and in both countries the media frenzy is in full swing. But there the similarity ends.

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### US - RUSSIA

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#### **Russia and the West**

**What is the Status of U.S. - Russian Relations?**

Michelle Busenius, Editor

Six years have passed since President Bush famously looked into the eyes of Russian president Vladimir Putin and was "able to get a sense of his soul, a man deeply committed to his country and the best interests of his country."

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### RUSSIA - GEORGIA

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#### **Saakashvili: Defiant and Ready for Action**

By Pavel Felgenhauer

Last Saturday evening, November 3, Georgian President Mikheil Saakashvili granted me a two-hour interview in his Office...

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