Subject: Re: WW3

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Just like the Great War was the last war ever because its participants were so horrified at losing almost an entire generation of soldiers? That one was called "The War to End All Wars," you know. All it took was a few power-hungry dictators to banish that notion, and we've been calling the Great War "World War I" ever since.

Humans have had wars as long as they've had nations and armies to fight them with, and the bigger the nations get the higher the cost of war rises. The only thing international interdependency means is that the next war will be just that much more devastating to everyone-don't be fool enough to believe it means there will never be another World War. Remember that both WWI and WW2 began with relatively minor border disputes that escalated catastrophically because of stupid, preventable mistakes and hubris. Thinking that it could never happen again is the surest way to make certain that it does.

How close are we to it? Depends on who you ask. I'd say "too close for comfort."