

# Review of: "American Mission in Afghanistan: Geopolitical Interests, Strategies and Reasons of Failure"

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Even though it is an interesting paper and the author shown its commitment to develop this kind of research, the major problem of this manuscript is the lack of sources which might support author's statements.

The paper lacks also an explanation of the author's methodology of research where he can explain which sources he considered suitable for its paper and why.

A paragraph dedicated to the Literature Review about this topic could have suggested how the author contributed to give a different point of view.

About the U.S. strategy in Afghanistan and its outcomes, I might suggest considering the following papers:

- Kugelman, M. (2023). Mission Creep on Repeat: Deconstructing U.S. Strategy in Afghanistan. In: Farhadi, A., Masys, A. (eds) The Great Power Competition Volume 4. Springer, Cham. [https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-22934-3\\_13](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-22934-3_13)
- James D. Boys (2022) Strategic ambiguity: the U.S. grand strategy initiative in Afghanistan, Policy Studies, 43:6, 1216-1234, DOI: [10.1080/01442872.2022.2057461](https://doi.org/10.1080/01442872.2022.2057461)
- Yoo, John, and Robert J. Delahunty. "Losing Our Way: US goals in Afghanistan changed gradually--and fatally. As nation-building efforts increased, victory slipped away." *Hoover Digest*, no. 1, Wntr 2022, pp. 27+. *Gale Academic OneFile*, [link.gale.com/apps/doc/A694379041/AONE?u=anon~cd710608&sid=googleScholar&xid=5f4b0e9](https://link.gale.com/apps/doc/A694379041/AONE?u=anon~cd710608&sid=googleScholar&xid=5f4b0e9)
- Christopher D. Kolenda (2019) Slow failure: Understanding America's quagmire in Afghanistan, Journal of Strategic Studies, 42:7, 992-1014, DOI: [10.1080/01402390.2019.1663179](https://doi.org/10.1080/01402390.2019.1663179)

Last, the author should expand and deeply elaborate on his Conclusion, which appears to be vague.