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A World War II era short film called "Don't Be a Sucker" keeps making the rounds on the internet. It illustrates some of the hazards of attempting to do business with bad faith authoritarian regimes, in this case, the Nazis. Especially, it described how the Nazis would leverage their business entanglements to up the ante and demand tributes, ideological and otherwise. French President Emmanuel Macron recently decried the abuse of such leverage over his country by Donald Trump, and he pointed out that economic leverage is today's style of warfare. We do not want to give that leverage to the Trump regime, nor to the Department of Homeland Security, nor to ICE, nor to any other part of it. Don't be a sucker, no contracts with ICE.