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This week on the Thinking Global Podcast, Prof. Maria Popova and Prof. Oxana Shevel talk with Kieran (@kieranjomeara) and Jennifer (@JenniferEngl) about their new book *Russia and Ukraine: Entangled Histories, Diverging States* (Polity, 2023).

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