

# **My Opinion about..... The military TVSYD, Denmark**

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YOUNG DANES OPINIONS ABOUT THE MILITARY

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I think  
the Danish military is unnecessary.

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Because we don't really  
have any enemies.

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Of course we need  
to contribute to NATO.

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But then we should have an army  
of volunteers as in France.

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That would give us a better army  
of professional soldiers -

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- instead of young men who are lazy  
and don't want to be there.

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I don't think compulsory military  
service makes sense.

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On August 19, I'm being drafted.

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00:26:32:01  
But I don't want to join.  
So I'll be a conscientious objector.

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I feel good about the military.  
I'll join once I've finished school.

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I think it's important  
to have a military.

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To have a military  
we can recruit from -

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- for international missions etc., -

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- where Denmark is playing  
a major role in peacekeeping troops.

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How should we use  
the Danish military?

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If it becomes professional, -

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- it should be used for  
peacekeeping missions abroad.

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Humanitarian missions in general.

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Why?

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Denmark is not on the verge of war.

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And if it were, other countries would  
help us just as we must help them.

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Will we ever need  
to defend Danish borders?

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I don't think so.  
Not now that we're in the EU.

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We all look out for each other.

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But you never know.  
Suddenly something could go wrong.

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But I don't think so.	
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	00:27:35:21
Are you ready to die for your country?	
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	00:27:38:19
I would go on a peacekeeping mission.	
	00:27:38:23
	00:27:42:24
But I wouldn't do it in order to die for my country.	
	00:27:43:03
	00:27:46:23
I'd do it because it's a good principle -	
	00:27:47:02
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- that we have to defend all around the world.	
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	00:27:54:05
In order to make peace, you sometimes need military means.	
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	00:27:58:00
And I'd do it to create democracy and peace.	
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	00:27:59:24
It's worth fighting for -	
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- being able to speak freely and having your own religion.	
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	00:28:07:24
That's worth fighting for because it creates your identity.	
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	00:28:10:19
Would you die for Denmark?	
	00:28:10:23
	00:28:15:00
If you put it that way, then yes. I would.	

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00:28:17:09  
Once you're in the situation -

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00:28:20:21  
- it's not a question of  
dying for your country.

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00:28:24:18  
But you're fighting for a cause  
at that point in time.

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So I suppose I would.  
Because you're willing to fight.

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00:28:33:20  
It's hard to say if you're willing to die  
while you're still so young.

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If I knew we were in a union  
where things were more open, -

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00:28:40:08  
- I suppose I would,  
in some ways.

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But it's a really hard question.

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00:28:45:15  
I'd fight for Denmark.  
But I'm not sure I'd fight for the EU.

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00:28:50:03  
- Would you die for your country?  
- No, I wouldn't.

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00:28:53:10  
My family perhaps.  
Good friends ...

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But not the country.

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We're heading towards globalization.  
I might as well move to England.

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I'll always be Danish,  
but I might live in another country.

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Would I have to fight  
and die for that country then?

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**END OF STORY**