

US-Russia Peace Talks on Ukraine

Key diplomatic meetings, proposals, and turning points in the US-Russia negotiations regarding the war in Ukraine.

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2022-02-24

Russia invades Ukraine

[invasion, war]

Russia launches a full-scale military invasion of Ukraine. The UN General Assembly later votes 141-5 to condemn the invasion.



2022-03-10

Lavrov-Kuleba meeting in Antalya

[diplomacy, turkey]

Russian and Ukrainian foreign ministers meet in Turkey. No breakthrough. Lavrov denies Russia attacked Ukraine.



2022-03-29

Istanbul talks

[negotiations, istanbul]

Ukrainian and Russian delegations meet in Istanbul. Ukraine proposes neutrality in exchange for security guarantees. Russia says it will reduce military activity near Kyiv. No binding agreement results.



2022-11-15

Biden-Xi meeting at G20 Bali

[diplomacy, g20, nuclear]

Biden and Xi Jinping agree that nuclear weapons should not be used in Ukraine. No direct US-Russia meeting, but indirect messaging through China.



2023-02-21

Biden visits Kyiv

[biden, kyiv, visit]

President Biden makes an unannounced visit to Kyiv — the first visit by a US president to an active war zone not controlled by US military since 2009.

2023-06-16

Zelenskyy's 10-point peace formula at Copenhagen

[[peace-formula](#), [ukraine](#)]

Ukraine presents its peace formula at a summit in Copenhagen attended by representatives of 65 countries. Russia is not invited.

2024-06-15

Switzerland Peace Summit at Burgenstock

[[summit](#), [switzerland](#)]

Over 90 countries attend. Russia not invited, China does not attend. Final communique addresses nuclear safety, food security, and prisoner exchanges. No ceasefire framework.

2024-11-05

Donald Trump wins US presidential election

[[election](#), [trump](#)]

Trump wins the 2024 election, having repeatedly promised to end the war "in 24 hours." Signals a shift in US approach.

2025-01-20

Trump inaugurated, appoints Keith Kellogg as envoy

[[envoy](#), [kellogg](#)]

Lieutenant General Keith Kellogg appointed as Special Envoy for Ukraine and Russia. Begins shuttle diplomacy.

2025-02-12

Trump-Putin phone call

[[phone-call](#), [trump-putin](#)]

First direct phone call between Trump and Putin since Trump's return to office. They agree to begin negotiations on ending the war. No details on format.

2025-02-18

Kellogg meets Zelenskyy in Kyiv

[[kellogg](#), [kyiv](#)]

Kellogg visits Kyiv for talks with Zelenskyy. Discusses potential ceasefire frameworks. Zelenskyy insists on territorial integrity.

2025-02-28

Oval Office meeting – Trump and Zelenskyy

[[trump](#), [zelenskyy](#), [confrontation](#)]

Zelenskyy visits Washington for a bilateral meeting. The meeting turns confrontational. Trump pressures Zelenskyy on the minerals deal and questions Ukrainian gratitude. Zelenskyy pushes back. No joint statement.

2025-03-01

Minerals deal framework announced

[minerals, deal]

US and Ukraine announce a framework for a deal on Ukraine's critical minerals (lithium, titanium, rare earths) – framed as economic partnership, criticized as leverage.

2025-03-06

US-Russia talks in Riyadh

[riyadh, bilateral]

Senior US and Russian officials meet in Saudi Arabia. First formal bilateral meeting on Ukraine since the invasion. Topics: ceasefire, energy, Black Sea grain corridor.

2025-03-11

30-day ceasefire proposal

[ceasefire, proposal]

Trump proposes a 30-day ceasefire starting March 15. Russia signals conditional willingness. Ukraine expresses concern about freezing the conflict along current lines.

2025-03-15

Partial energy ceasefire begins

[energy, ceasefire, partial]

Russia and Ukraine agree to a limited ceasefire on energy infrastructure attacks, brokered by the US. Fighting continues on front lines.