

# Claim

Claim: "



This image shows Ben Stiller and Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy at their meeting on June 20, 2022, for which Stiller received \$4 million from USAID."

## Actions

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web_search("Ben Stiller Volodymyr Zelenskyy meeting June 20 2022")
web_search("Ben Stiller USAID Ukraine")
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## Evidence

### Evidence from **web\_search**

Ben Stiller met with Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy in Kyiv on June 20, 2022, as part of his visit as a goodwill ambassador for the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) according to ABC News (<https://abcnews.go.com/International/ben-stiller-meets-volodymyr-zelenskyy-ukraine-world-refugee/story?id=85517989>), The New York Post (<https://nypost.com/2022/06/20/ben-stiller-met-with-zelensky-in-ukraine-on-world-refugee-day/>), and the BBC (<https://www.bbc.com/news/av/world-61875351>).

The sources do not mention Stiller receiving \$4 million from USAID.









## Evidence from web\_search

The sources discuss Ben Stiller's visit to Ukraine in June 2022 and refute claims that he received \$4 million from USAID for the trip. Stiller stated that he self-funded his humanitarian trip. The sources include articles from Vanity Fair (<https://www.vanityfair.com/hollywood/story/ben-stiller-denies-elon-musks-retweet-claiming-usaid-funded-the-stars-trip-to-ukraine?srltid=AfmBOoqmZtyUwoMPiFsX8zL7DdXJOT30rVSXIZLNyC8z9NQ6jnf-Uufb>), IMDB (<https://www.imdb.com/news/ni65111956/>), and MSNBC (<https://www.msnbc.com/morning-joe/watch/-totally-false-actor-ben-stiller-debunks-claims-usaid-funded-ukraine-trip-231285317684>).

The articles mention a video alleging that Stiller received money from USAID, which he denied.





The UNHCR confirmed that Stiller is not compensated for his work with UNHCR and self-funds his travel.



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## Elaboration

The claim that Ben Stiller received \$4 million from USAID is false. Multiple sources confirm that Stiller met with Zelensky on June 20, 2022, but they also state that Stiller self-funded his humanitarian trip and denied receiving any money from USAID.

## Final Judgement

The claim is false because the evidence indicates that Ben Stiller did not receive \$4 million from USAID for his meeting with Zelensky. Stiller self-funded his trip.

false

**Verdict: FALSE**

### **Justification**

The claim is false. While Ben Stiller did meet with Volodymyr Zelenskyy on June 20, 2022, as confirmed by sources like [ABC News](#), [The New York Post](#), and the [BBC](#), there is no evidence to support the assertion that he received \$4 million from USAID. Stiller himself denied receiving any such funds, and sources like [Vanity Fair](#) and MSNBC confirm that he self-funded the trip.