

Claim

Claim: "Half of all US aid to Ukraine was laundered and sent back to Democrat candidates for re-election."

Actions

`web_search("US aid to Ukraine laundered Democrat candidates")`

Evidence

Evidence from web_search

The Wikipedia article on the 2019 Trump–Ukraine scandal does not mention the claim. (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2019_Trump%E2%80%93Ukraine_scandal) Newsweek published an article discussing the claim that US aid to Ukraine was laundered and sent to Democrat candidates, stating that the claim originated from social media and that there is no evidence to support it.



(<https://www.newsweek.com/what-behind-claim-joe-biden-laundered-billions-ukraine-aid-via-ftx-1759774>)

The Associated Press fact-checked the claim, stating that Russian influencers promoted the narrative and that the Ukrainian government never invested any funds into FTX. (<https://apnews.com/article/fact-check-ftx-ukraine-democrats-laundering-996663874380>)

Elaboration

The evidence suggests the claim is false. Newsweek and the Associated Press both fact-checked the claim and found no evidence to support it. The claim originated on social media and was promoted by Russian influencers.

Final Judgement

The claim that half of all US aid to Ukraine was laundered and sent back to Democrat candidates for re-election is demonstrably false. Multiple sources, including Newsweek and the Associated Press, have fact-checked the claim and found no evidence to support it. The claim originated on social media and was promoted by Russian influencers.

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Verdict: FALSE

Justification

The claim is demonstrably false. Fact-checks by both Newsweek (<https://www.newsweek.com/what-behind-claim-joe-biden-laundered-billions-ukraine-aid-via-ftx-1759774>) and the Associated Press (<https://apnews.com/article/fact-check-ftx-ukraine-democrats-laundering-996663874380>) found no evidence to support the claim, which originated on social media and was promoted by Russian influencers.