

# Claim

Claim: "After Donald Trump won the US presidential election in 2024, NATO Secretary General Mark Rutte said that 'If Trump surrenders Ukraine to Putin, he will personally expel the United States from the alliance'."

## Actions

`web_search("Mark Rutte Trump Ukraine Putin NATO")`

## Evidence

### Evidence from `web_search`

The NATO website ([https://www.nato.int/cps/en/natohq/opinions\\_237051.htm](https://www.nato.int/cps/en/natohq/opinions_237051.htm)) contains remarks by NATO Secretary General Mark Rutte with Donald J. Trump at the White House, discussing support for Ukraine. NPR (<https://www.npr.org/2025/07/14/nx-s1-5467272/russia-ukraine-war-trump-nato-weapons-tariffs>) published an article on July 14, 2025, discussing President Trump's meeting with NATO Secretary-General Mark Rutte, including Trump's promise to provide weapons to Ukraine through NATO.



CBS News reports that Donald Trump is set to meet with NATO Secretary General Mark Rutte.



The article mentions that Trump is considering authorizing fresh funding for Ukraine.

## **Elaboration**

The evidence indicates that Mark Rutte, the NATO Secretary General, met with Donald Trump to discuss support for Ukraine. However, the provided sources do not contain any statements from Rutte about expelling the United States from NATO if Trump surrenders Ukraine to Putin.

Therefore, the claim cannot be verified with the available information.

## **Final Judgement**

The search results show meetings and discussions between Mark Rutte and Donald Trump regarding Ukraine and NATO. However, there is no evidence in the provided sources to support the specific quote attributed to Rutte about expelling the United States from NATO.

false

**Verdict: FALSE**

### **Justification**

The search results confirm meetings between Mark Rutte and Donald Trump concerning Ukraine and NATO, but they do not contain any statements from Rutte about expelling the United States from the alliance if Trump surrenders Ukraine to Putin. Therefore, the claim is not supported by the available evidence.