

Claim

Claim: "In an interview with NDTV on March 17, 2025 Director of US National Intelligence Tulsi Gabbard said that President Donald Trump and Russian President Vladimir Putin were good friends."

Actions

`web_search("Tulsi Gabbard NDTV interview March 17 2025 Trump Putin")`

Evidence

Evidence from `web_search`

NDTV interviewed Tulsi Gabbard, where she discussed Donald Trump's focus on peace and progress in negotiations between Russia and Ukraine (<https://www.ndtv.com/world-news/trump-focused-on-peace-tulsi-gabbard-on-russia-ukraine-war-7941806>). Newsweek reported that Gabbard said Trump was "looking forward to success" ahead of a phone call with Putin, and also criticized the Biden administration's handling of the Russia-Ukraine war (<https://www.newsweek.com/tulsi-gabbard-shares-details-trumps-relationship-putin-2046181>)



U.S. News & World Report also reported that Gabbard said Trump and Putin “are very good friends” in an interview with NDTV (<https://www.usnews.com/news/politics/articles/2025-03-17/gabbard-says-trump-is-looking-forward-to-success-ahead-of-talk-with-putin>) [image:i](#).

Elaboration

The evidence confirms that Tulsi Gabbard was interviewed by NDTV on March 17, 2025. U.S. News & World Report states that Gabbard said Trump and Putin "are very good friends" in this interview (<https://www.usnews.com/news/politics/articles/2025-03-17/gabbard-says-trump-is-looking-forward-to-success-ahead-of-talk-with-putin>). Therefore, the claim is likely true.

Final Judgement

The evidence indicates that Tulsi Gabbard did indeed state that Trump and Putin were "very good friends" in an interview with NDTV on March 17, 2025. This is supported by a report from U.S. News & World Report.

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Verdict: TRUE

Justification

In an interview with NDTV on March 17, 2025, Tulsi Gabbard stated that Trump and Putin were "very good friends," as reported by U.S. News & World Report (<https://www.usnews.com/news/politics/articles/2025-03-17/gabbard-says-trump-is-looking-forward-to-success-ahead-of-talk-with-putin>).