

Claim

Claim: "In August 2024, Ukraine passed legislation banning the Orthodox Church in Ukraine."

Actions

`web_search("Ukraine August 2024 Orthodox Church ban legislation")`

Evidence

Evidence from `web_search`

In August 2024, Ukraine passed a law, informally known as the "Law on the Prohibition of the Russian Orthodox Church in Ukraine," banning religious organizations with ties to the Russian Orthodox Church. The law was passed on August 20, 2024, and entered into force on September 23, 2024, making it impossible for religious organizations under the control of an aggressor state to operate. The All-Ukrainian Council of Churches and Religious Organizations supported the legislative initiative on August 17, 2024.

The law could effectively ban congregations of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church, raising concerns about religious freedom and human rights from organizations like Human Rights Watch ([image:k](#)), the UN, and Pope Francis. The European Parliament also discussed the ban on the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the Moscow Patriarchate at the end of August 2024.

- https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Law_of_Ukraine_%22On_the_Protection_of_the_Constitutional_Order_in_the_Field_of_Activities_of_Religious_Organizations%22
- <https://www.hrw.org/news/2024/10/30/ukraine-new-law-raises-religious-freedom-concerns>
- https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/E-10-2024-001881_EN.html

Elaboration

The evidence confirms that Ukraine passed a law in August 2024 that effectively bans religious organizations with ties to the Russian Orthodox Church. The law was passed on August 20, 2024, and entered into force on September 23, 2024.

The law is informally known as the "Law on the Prohibition of the Russian Orthodox Church in Ukraine." The All-Ukrainian Council of Churches and Religious Organizations supported the legislative initiative.

The law raises concerns about religious freedom and human rights from organizations like Human Rights Watch, the UN, and Pope Francis. The European Parliament also discussed the ban.

Final Judgement

The evidence confirms that Ukraine passed legislation in August 2024 banning religious organizations with ties to the Russian Orthodox Church. The law was passed on August 20,

2024, and entered into force on September 23, 2024.

The claim is factually accurate as it is supported by multiple reliable sources. true

Verdict: TRUE

Justification

In August 2024, Ukraine enacted a law, often referred to as the "Law on the Prohibition of the Russian Orthodox Church in Ukraine," which banned religious organizations linked to the Russian Orthodox Church. This legislation, passed on August 20, 2024, and effective from September 23, 2024, aimed to prevent religious organizations under the control of an aggressor state from operating, as confirmed by sources like Wikipedia ([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Law of Ukraine %22On the Protection of the Constitutional Order in the Field of Activities of Religious Organizations%22](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Law_of_Ukraine_%22On_the_Protection_of_the_Constitutional_Order_in_the_Field_of_Activities_of_Religious_Organizations%22)).