Claim

Claim: "Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy started the 2022 war in Ukraine with Russia."

Actions

image_search("Volodymyr Zelenskyy Russia war 2022")
image_search("Russia Ukraine war timeline")

Evidence

Evidence from image_search

The PBS article discusses Volodymyr Zelenskyy's visit to Poland amid the Russian war (



). Al Jazeera published an article on March 22, 2022, about Volodymyr Zelenskyy renewing an offer of talks with Putin (



). The NBC



The articles can be found here: https://www.pbs.org/newshour/world/ukraines-zelenskyy- visit-tightens-bonds-with-poland-amid-russian-war, https://www.aljazeera.com/ news/2022/3/22/zelenskyy-renews-offer-of-putin-talks-says-all-issues-on-table, and https:// www.nbcnews.com/news/world/volodymyr-zelenskyy-become-global-phenomenonrcna24355.

Al Jazeera published a timeline of the Russia-Ukraine war, including a map showing areas under Russian control as of August 24, 2022 (

RUSSIA-UKRAINE WAR

Who controls what in Ukraine?

Ukrainian forces have struck Russian military assets and communication lines in the southern Kherson region, according to the Institute for the Study of War. Meanwhile, Moscow's troops made limited gains east of Mykolaiv city and in Kherson.



, <u>Source</u>). DW.com provides a timeline of the Ukraine crisis, including events from the Euromaidan protests to Russia's attack on Ukraine on February 24, 2022 (

Timeline of the Ukraine crisis

November 2013 - • February 2014

Euromaidan: Large, mainly peaceful, public protests push for closer Ukrainian ties to the West

February - March 2014 •

Russia annexes Ukraine's Crimean peninsula.

June - August 2014 •

The Ukrainian army pushes back separatists in the regions of Donetsk and Luhansk.

February 2015 •

A new ceasefire is reached, though fragile and sporadically violated by all sides, it largely holds until today.

September 2020

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy confirms NATO membership as a strategic national goal.

June 2021

A US-Russia meeting in Geneva fails to bring the Ukraine crisis to an end.

December 2021 •

Russia increases the number of troops near the Ukrainian border to some 100,000.

February 2, 2022 •

The US sends additional troops to eastern European NATO members.

February 21, 2022 •

Russia recognizes the independence of separatist regions Donetsk and Luhansk in eastern Ukraine. Moscow orders its troops to enter the breakaway regions.

February 2014

Violent crackdown on Euromaidan protesters. Ukrainian President Yanukovych flees to Russia. Change of power in Kyiv.

March - May 2014

Pro-Russian separatists in eastern Ukraine call for the creation of self-proclaimed "people's republics" in Donetsk and Luhansk.

September 2014

A ceasefire is negotiated in the Belarusian capital of Minsk. It holds only for a few days.

June 2017

The Ukrainian parliament votes for the goal of joining NATO.

March - April 2021

The Kremlin sends Russian troops near the border to Ukraine.

December 2021

Russia demands security guarantees, including NATO denying membership to Ukraine.

January - February 2022

Several meetings between top Western and Russian diplomats fail to ease tensions over the Ukraine crisis.

February 10, 2022

Russia and Belarus hold joint maneuvers near the Ukrainian border.

February 24, 2022

Russia attacks Ukraine.