Claim

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

Actions

image_search("US aid Ukraine laundered Democrat candidates")

Evidence

Evidence from image_search

From <u>Source</u>: Content: Reuters published an article on April 20, 2024, about the US House vote on a Ukraine aid package. The article includes an image of the US and Ukrainian flags in front of the Capitol Building.



Elaboration

The evidence does not contain any information about the claim. The provided article from Reuters (<u>Source</u>) discusses the US House vote on a Ukraine aid package but does not mention any laundering or diversion of funds to Democrat candidates.

Therefore, the claim cannot be verified with the available evidence. More information is needed to assess the veracity of the claim.

Actions

image_search("US aid to Ukraine laundering Democrat candidates")
image_search("Ukraine aid corruption allegations")

Evidence

Evidence from image_search

ABC News published an article about Robert F. Kennedy Jr. as a presidential candidate (https://abcnews.go.com/Politics/rfk-jr-now-presidential-candidate-ukraine-vaccines-





Politico has an article about what Johnson wants for Ukraine and Israel funding (https://congress/what-johnson-wants-ukraine-israel-funding-00124806). The Center for European Policy Analysis (CEPA) published an article that includes an image of Mitch McConnell, Volodymyr Zelenskyy, and Chuck Schumer (https://cepa.org/article/ignore-the-noise-congress-can-still-pass-ukraine-aid/).



Evidence from image_search

Bloomberg published an article on May 3, 2024, about Ukraine tightening military procurement after a corruption shakeup (



). The Policy Practice published an article about Ukraine's anti-corruption efforts (



). The Institute for the Study of War published a fact sheet about US assistance to Ukraine, which states that US oversight is extensive, and Ukrainian government oversight and accountability are extensive and growing (

CLAIM	FACT
US aid to Ukraine lacks oversight and is being misused because of corruption in Ukraine.	US oversight is extensive, and Ukrainian government oversight and accountability are extensive and growing.
The United States is giving more support to Ukraine than Europe, and Europe hasn't stepped up.	America's European, Asian, and NATO allies have committed \$178 billion to supporting Ukraine, which is more than the US will have committed counting the aid package currently under consideration.
Ukraine is another "forever war" for the United States.	This is not an American war. It's another nation's war against an American enemy.
Sending military aid to Ukraine degrades America's military readiness.	Sending military aid to Ukraine is enabling the United States to modernize its own military to be better prepared to fight the next war.
The United States is sending Ukraine a "blank check."	The United States has not given Ukraine a "blank check." Congress has appropriated specific amounts to be used for specific purposes. Both Ukrainian and US officials monitor the aid to ensure that it is used for those purposes.

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The provided sources discuss corruption and oversight related to aid to Ukraine but do not

mention any laundering or diversion of funds to Democrat candidates.

Elaboration

The evidence reveals discussions about US aid to Ukraine, including articles on corruption and oversight. However, none of the provided sources support the claim that half of the US aid was laundered and sent to Democrat candidates. The Institute for the Study of War fact sheet (https://www.understandingwar.org/backgrounder/us-assistance-ukraine-fact-sheet) indicates extensive US and Ukrainian government oversight.

Therefore, based on the available evidence, the claim remains unsubstantiated.

Final Judgement

The fact-check reveals that while there are discussions about US aid to Ukraine and related corruption concerns, there is no evidence to support the claim that half of the aid was laundered and sent to Democrat candidates. The provided sources do not mention any such activity. Therefore, the claim is not supported by the available evidence. false

Verdict: FALSE

Justification

The fact-check found no evidence to support the claim that half of US aid to Ukraine was laundered and sent to Democrat candidates. While there are reports about corruption and oversight related to the aid, none of the sources, including articles from Reuters, ABC News, Politico, Bloomberg, and the Institute for the Study of War (https://www.understandingwar.org/backgrounder/us-assistance-ukraine-fact-sheet), mention any such activity.