

Claim

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

Actions

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

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," which bans religious organizations with ties to the Russian Orthodox Church. The law was adopted on August 20, 2024, and entered into force on September 23, 2024. The All-Ukrainian Council of Churches and Religious Organizations supported the legislative initiative on August 17, 2024.

Human Rights Watch and the European Parliament have discussed the law, with the latter mentioning concerns from the UN and Pope Francis regarding potential violations of religious freedom and human rights. The law could effectively ban congregations of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church.

- [Law of Ukraine "On the Protection of the Constitutional Order in the Field of Activities of Religious Organizations"](#)
- [Ukraine: New Law Raises Religious Freedom Concerns](#)
- [European Parliament document](#)

Elaboration

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

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Final Judgement

The evidence confirms that Ukraine passed legislation in August 2024 that bans religious organizations with ties to the Russian Orthodox Church. The law was adopted on August 20, 2024, and entered into force on September 23, 2024. The claim is therefore factually accurate. `true`

Verdict: TRUE

Justification

In August 2024, Ukraine enacted a law, informally known as the "Law on the Prohibition of the Russian Orthodox Church in Ukraine," which bans religious organizations linked to the Russian Orthodox Church ([Law of Ukraine](#)). This law, adopted on August 20, 2024, and effective from September 23, 2024, has raised concerns about religious freedom ([Human Rights Watch](#)).