

Claim

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

Actions

`web_search("US aid to Ukraine laundered Democrat candidates")`

Evidence

Evidence from `web_search`

Wikipedia's article on the 2019 Trump–Ukraine scandal does not mention any information about US aid being laundered and sent back to Democrat candidates. (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2019_Trump%E2%80%93Ukraine_scandal)

Newsweek and the Associated Press fact-checked the claim that US aid to Ukraine was laundered and sent to Democrat candidates. Newsweek states that the claim originated from social media and right-leaning commentators, and there is no evidence to support it. (<https://www.newsweek.com/what-behind-claim-joe-biden-laundered-billions-ukraine-aid-via-ftx-1759774>) The Associated Press states that Russian influencers promoted this narrative and that the claim is false. (<https://apnews.com/article/fact-check-ftx-ukraine-democrats-laundering-996663874380>)



Elaboration

The claim is false. Newsweek and the Associated Press have fact-checked the claim and found no evidence to support it. The claim originated from social media and right-leaning commentators and was promoted by Russian influencers.

Final Judgement

The claim that half of all US aid to Ukraine was laundered and sent back to Democrat candidates for re-election is demonstrably false. Multiple sources, including Newsweek and the Associated Press, have fact-checked this claim and found no evidence to support it. The claim originated from social media and right-leaning commentators and was promoted by Russian influencers.

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Verdict: FALSE

Justification

The claim is demonstrably false. Fact-checks by both Newsweek (<https://www.newsweek.com/what-behind-claim-joe-biden-laundered-billions-ukraine-aid-via-ftx-1759774>) and the Associated Press (<https://apnews.com/article/fact-check-ftx-ukraine-democrats-laundering-996663874380>) found no evidence to support the claim, which originated on social media and was promoted by right-leaning commentators and Russian influencers.