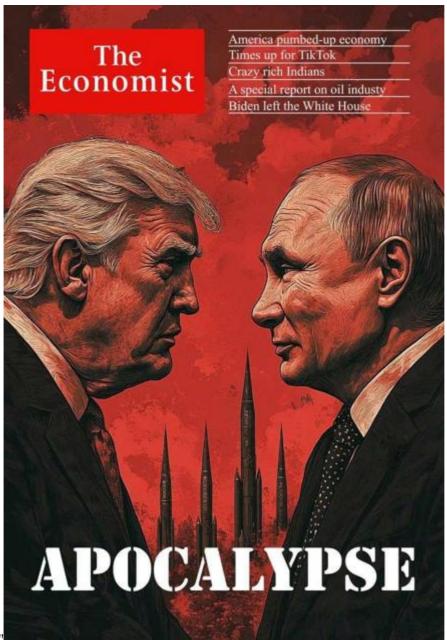
## Claim



Claim: "This image shows a screenshot of an authentic cover of the magazine The Economist from the end of 2024 illustrating Donald Trump and Vladimir Putin and warning of an apocalypse."

# **Actions**

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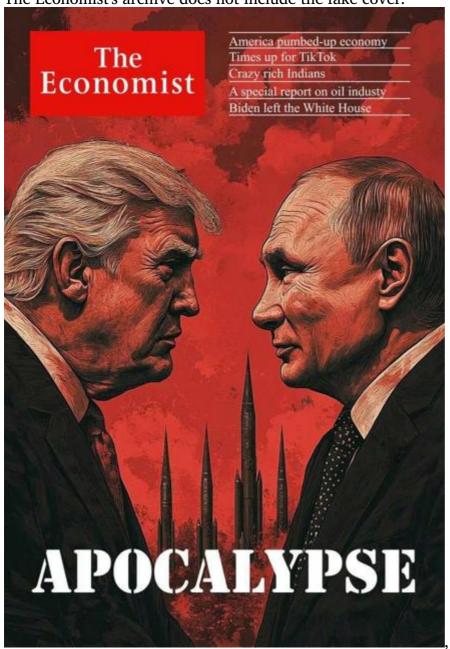
# **Evidence**

### Evidence from web\_search

The image of The Economist cover featuring Donald Trump and Vladimir Putin with the word "APOCALYPSE" is a fake. According to <u>Ukrinform.net</u>, the cover lacks a publication date, and the actual issue from November 16, 2024, featured a different image.

<u>PesaCheck</u> also confirms the cover is altered, and <u>AAP FactCheck</u> notes spelling and grammatical errors, and that the image was promoted by a pro-Kremlin Telegram channel.

The Economist's archive does not include the fake cover.







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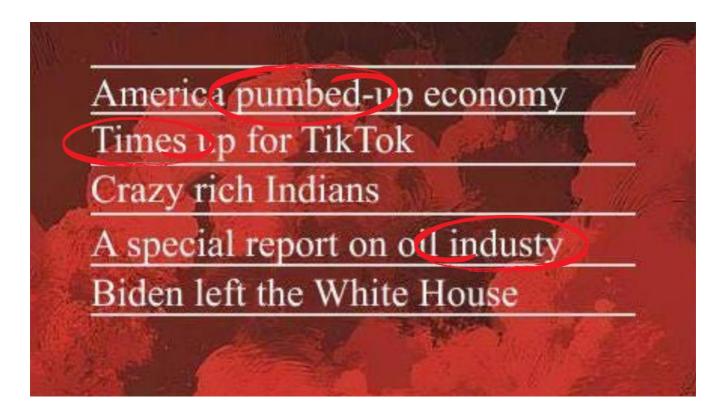
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# **Elaboration**

The evidence indicates that the image is a fake cover of The Economist. Multiple sources, including Ukrinform.net (<a href="https://www.ukrinform.net/rubric-factcheck/3930063-russian-propaganda-fabricates-the-economist-cover-about-beginning-of-world-war-iii.html">https://www.ukrinform.net/rubric-factcheck/3930063-russian-propaganda-fabricates-the-economist-cover-about-beginning-of-world-war-iii.html</a>), PesaCheck (<a href="https://pesacheck.org/altered-this-front-cover-was-not-published-by-the-economist-cd0c20d99b9b">https://pesacheck.org/altered-this-front-cover-was-not-published-by-the-economist-cd0c20d99b9b</a>), and AAP FactCheck (<a href="https://www.aap.com.au/factcheck/fake-economist-apocalypse-cover-linked-to-pro-kremlin-propaganda/">https://www.aap.com.au/factcheck/fake-economist-apocalypse-cover-linked-to-pro-kremlin-propaganda/</a>), confirm this. The cover lacks a publication date, contains spelling and grammatical errors, and was promoted by a pro-Kremlin Telegram channel. The Economist's archive does not include this cover.

# **Final Judgement**

The claim is demonstrably false. The image is a fabricated cover of The Economist, as confirmed by multiple fact-checking sources. The cover contains errors and was promoted by a pro-Kremlin source. false

**Verdict: FALSE** 

#### **Justification**

The image purporting to be a cover of The Economist featuring Trump and Putin with the word "APOCALYPSE" is a fake. Fact-checkers at <u>Ukrinform.net</u>, <u>PesaCheck</u>, and <u>AAP</u> FactCheck have all confirmed the image is altered and not an authentic cover.