## Claim

Claim: "In an interview with NDTV on March 17, 2025 Director of US National Intelligence Tulsi Gabbard said that President Donald Trump and Russian President Vladimir Putin were good friends."

## **Actions**

web\_search("Tulsi Gabbard NDTV interview March 17 2025 Trump Putin")

### **Evidence**

### Evidence from web\_search

NDTV interviewed Tulsi Gabbard, where she discussed Donald Trump's focus on peace and progress in negotiations between Russia and Ukraine (<a href="https://www.ndtv.com/world-news/trump-focused-on-peace-tulsi-gabbard-on-russia-ukraine-war-7941806">https://www.ndtv.com/world-news/trump-focused-on-peace-tulsi-gabbard-on-russia-ukraine-war-7941806</a>). Newsweek reported that Gabbard said Trump was "looking forward to success" ahead of a phone call with Putin, and also criticized the Biden administration's handling of the Russia-Ukraine war (<a href="https://www.newsweek.com/tulsi-gabbard-shares-details-trumps-relationship-putin-2046181">https://www.newsweek.com/tulsi-gabbard-shares-details-trumps-relationship-putin-2046181</a>)



U.S. News & World Report also reported that Gabbard said Trump and Putin "are very good friends" in an interview with NDTV (<a href="https://www.usnews.com/news/politics/">https://www.usnews.com/news/politics/</a> <a href="https://www.usnews.com/news/politics/">articles/2025-03-17/gabbard-says-trump-is-looking-forward-to-success-ahead-of-talk-with-putin">https://www.usnews.com/news/politics/</a> <a href="https://www.usnews.com/news/politics/">articles/2025-03-17/gabbard-says-trump-is-looking-forward-to-success-ahead-of-talk-with-putin</a>) <a href="https://www.usnews.com/news/politics/">image:i</a>.

# **Elaboration**

The evidence confirms that Tulsi Gabbard was interviewed by NDTV on March 17, 2025. U.S. News & World Report states that Gabbard said Trump and Putin "are very good friends" in this interview (<a href="https://www.usnews.com/news/politics/articles/2025-03-17/gabbard-says-trump-is-looking-forward-to-success-ahead-of-talk-with-putin">https://www.usnews.com/news/politics/articles/2025-03-17/gabbard-says-trump-is-looking-forward-to-success-ahead-of-talk-with-putin</a>).

Therefore, the claim is supported by the evidence.

# **Final Judgement**

The evidence confirms that Tulsi Gabbard stated in an interview with NDTV on March 17, 2025, that Trump and Putin were "very good friends." This aligns with the claim.

true

**Verdict: TRUE** 

#### **Justification**

In an interview with NDTV on March 17, 2025, Tulsi Gabbard stated that Trump and Putin were "very good friends," as reported by U.S. News & World Report (<a href="https://www.usnews.com/news/politics/articles/2025-03-17/gabbard-says-trump-is-looking-forward-to-success-ahead-of-talk-with-putin">https://www.usnews.com/news/politics/articles/2025-03-17/gabbard-says-trump-is-looking-forward-to-success-ahead-of-talk-with-putin</a>).