Claim

Claim: "In early 2025, Ukraine and Russia had reached a peace deal in their years-long war."

Actions

web_search("Ukraine Russia peace deal 2025")
web_search("Ukraine Russia war timeline 2025")

Evidence

Evidence from web_search

The Guardian published an article on August 21, 2025, discussing Donald Trump's involvement in negotiations to end the war between Russia and Ukraine, including a meeting with Zelenskyy on August 18, 2025, and potential security guarantees for Ukraine (



). Wikipedia mentions a timeline of the Russian invasion of Ukraine, including January 2025 – May 2025 and June 2025 – present, and that Trump began pushing for peace negotiations in December 2024, after winning the U.S. presidential election, and also links to a "2025 Putin–Trump call". CNN published an article on August 19, 2025, discussing the difference between a ceasefire and a peace deal in the context of the war between Ukraine and Russia (











The articles are available at: https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2025/aug/21/trump-ukraine-russia-peace-talks, https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/
Peace-negotiations in the Russian invasion of Ukraine, and https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/

www.cnn.com/2025/08/19/europe/ukraine-ceasefire-peace-deal-difference-analysis-latamintl.

Evidence from web_search

A timeline of the Russian invasion of Ukraine from January 1 to May 31, 2025, details various attacks and military actions, including drone strikes, airstrikes, and territorial shifts. (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/

Timeline of the Russian invasion of Ukraine (1 January 2025 %E2%80%93 31 May 2025

PBS News published a timeline of territorial shifts during Russia's war on Ukraine on August 18, 2025, which includes events from 2022 to 2025. (https://www.pbs.org/newshour/world/a-timeline-of-territorial-shifts-during-russias-war-on-ukraine) The Institute for the Study of War (ISW) published an assessment on August 24, 2025, discussing the ongoing war, including Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov's rejection of US-proposed peace initiatives and continued military aid to Ukraine. (https://understandingwar.org/





Elaboration

The evidence suggests that while peace negotiations were underway in 2025, a peace deal had not been reached in early 2025. The Guardian and CNN articles from August 2025

discuss ongoing negotiations and the distinction between a ceasefire and a peace deal. Furthermore, the Institute for the Study of War's assessment from August 24, 2025, indicates that the war was still ongoing, with Russia rejecting peace initiatives. The timeline of the Russian invasion of Ukraine also details military actions through May 2025.

Therefore, the claim is not supported by the evidence.

Final Judgement

The evidence indicates that peace negotiations were ongoing in 2025, but a peace deal had not been reached in early 2025. Multiple sources, including The Guardian, CNN, and the Institute for the Study of War, confirm that the war was still ongoing and that negotiations were in progress.

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Verdict: FALSE

Justification

The evidence indicates that while peace negotiations were underway in 2025, a peace deal had not been reached in early 2025. Articles from August 2025, such as those from The Guardian (https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2025/aug/21/trump-ukraine-russia-peace-talks) and CNN, discuss ongoing negotiations and the distinction between a ceasefire and a peace deal. Additionally, the Institute for the Study of War's assessment (https://understandingwar.org/backgrounder/russian-offensive-campaign-assessment-august-24-2025) from August 24, 2025, indicates that the war was still ongoing.