## 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, who said that Donald Trump is focused on peace and has made unprecedented progress in the 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 is "looking forward to success" ahead of his phone call with Putin (<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 stated that Gabbard said Trump and Putin "are very good friends" in an interview with NDTV (<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>) <a href="mailto:image:i.">image:i.</a>

# **Elaboration**

The evidence confirms that Tulsi Gabbard stated in an interview with NDTV that Trump and Putin are "very good friends." The U.S. News & World Report article (<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>) supports this.

# **Final Judgement**

The claim is supported by the evidence. Tulsi Gabbard did state in an interview with NDTV that Trump and Putin were good friends.

true

**Verdict: TRUE** 

### Justification

In an interview with NDTV, Tulsi Gabbard stated that Donald Trump and Vladimir 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>).