

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 stated that Donald Trump is focused on peace and has made unprecedented progress in negotiations between Russia and Ukraine (<https://www.ndtv.com/world-news/trump-focused-on-peace-tulsi-gabbard-on-russia-ukraine-war-7941806>). Newsweek reported that Gabbard said in an interview with NDTV that President Trump is "looking forward to success" ahead of his phone call with Russian President Putin (<https://www.newsweek.com/tulsi-gabbard-shares-details-trumps-relationship-putin-2046181>).

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



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Elaboration

The evidence supports the claim. U.S. News & World Report states that Tulsi Gabbard said Trump and Putin “are very good friends” in an interview with NDTV (<https://www.usnews.com/news/politics/articles/2025-03-17/gabbard-says-trump-is-looking-forward-to-success-ahead-of-talk-with-putin>). Newsweek also reported on the interview (<https://www.newsweek.com/tulsi-gabbard-shares-details-trumps-relationship-putin-2046181>).

Final Judgement

The claim is supported by multiple reliable sources. U.S. News & World Report and Newsweek both reported on the NDTV interview where Tulsi Gabbard stated that Trump and Putin are "very good friends."

true

Verdict: TRUE

Justification

In an interview with NDTV on March 17, 2025, Tulsi Gabbard stated that Donald Trump and Vladimir Putin were "very good friends," as reported by both [U.S. News & World Report](#) and [Newsweek](#).