

Prime Minister Liz Truss's call with President Zelenskyy: 6 September 2022

Press release

Prime Minister Liz Truss spoke to the President of Ukraine, Volodymyr Zelenskyy.



The Prime Minister spoke to the President of Ukraine, Volodymyr Zelenskyy, this evening to reiterate the United Kingdom's steadfast support for Ukraine's freedom and democracy.

In her first call with a counterpart since becoming Prime Minister, she reiterated to the Ukrainian leader that he had her full backing, and Ukraine could depend on the UK's assistance for the long term.

President Zelenskyy thanked the Prime Minister for the UK's staunch support and congratulated her on her appointment.

The leaders discussed the need to strengthen global security and the measures necessary to cut off the funds fuelling Putin's war machine.

The leaders deplored Putin's attempts to weaponise energy, and the Prime Minister said it was vital Russia's blackmail did not deter the west from ensuring Putin fails. She also underscored the importance of ensuring the UK and our allies continue to build energy independence.

She praised the Ukrainians' fight for sovereignty and self-determination and said it was essential Ukraine succeeds and Russia fails.

The Prime Minister said she looked forward to working with the President in the coming weeks and months and was delighted to accept an invitation to visit President Zelenskyy in Ukraine soon.

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