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**PUTIN SAYS NAGORNO-KARABAKH IS INSEPARABLE TERRITORY OF AZERBAIJAN**

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Russian President Vladimir Putin has acknowledged that the region of Nagorno-Karabakh is internationally-recognised as belonging to Azerbaijan, two weeks after Armenia surrendered the region following its defeat to Azeri forces.

Speaking on the Russian channel Rossiya 1 TV yesterday, Putin reasoned that Yerevan's refusal to recognise the independence of Nagorno-Karabakh during its occupation of the province proved that it was an inseparable part of Azerbaijani territory.

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