
EU, UK LEADERS VOW SANCTIONS OVER PUTIN'S RECOGNITION OF BREAKAWAY UKRAINE REGIONS

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Charles Michel and Ursula von der Leyen condemn blatant violation of international law.

Leaders from the European Union and the United Kingdom vowed Monday to impose sanctions over Russian President Vladimir Putins decision to recognize two separatist regions in eastern Ukraine as independent.

In a brief statement, European Council President Charles Michel and European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen said they "condemn in the strongest possible terms the decision by the Russian President to proceed with the recognition of the non-government controlled areas of Donetsk and Luhansk oblasts of Ukraine as independent entities."

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