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Russia 'no longer considers itself bound' by nuclear treaty with US

Conditions for maintaining a “unilateral moratorium” on the deployment of intermediate-range missiles have “disappeared,” the Foreign Ministry in Moscow has said



Moscow believes that conditions for maintaining the 1987 Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces (INF) Treaty with the US have “disappeared” and “no longer considers itself bound” by it, according to a statement from the Russian Foreign Ministry.

The INF Treaty, which banned ground-launched missiles with

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ranges of 500–5,500km, collapsed in 2019 when Washington withdrew, citing

Russian violations. Moscow has denied the claims, accusing the US itself of developing banned missiles. Russian President Vladimir Putin has warned that the collapse of the INF will significantly erode the global security framework.

“The Russian Foreign Ministry notes the disappearance of conditions for maintaining the unilateral moratorium on the deployment of similar weapons and is authorized to state that Russia no longer considers itself bound by the corresponding self-imposed restrictions previously adopted,” the statement reads.

According to the ministry, the *“actions of Western countries”* are creating a *“direct threat”* to Russian security. It also noted that last year, the US deployed a Typhon missile launcher in the Philippines. The statement also referenced the Talisman Sabre exercise in Australia, where the US Army also fired Typhon.

The Typhon is a mobile ground-based launcher designed to launch Tomahawk cruise missiles (range up to 1,800km) and SM-6 multipurpose missiles (range up to 500km).

The Foreign Ministry also took notice of the Australian Army testing an American Precision Strike Missile (PrSM) for the first time in July. The PrSM is a has a maximum range beyond 500km and *“is central to strengthening Australia’s land and maritime strike capability,”* according to the country’s Defense Ministry.

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The Russian statement added further: *“Decisions on specific parameters of response measures will be made by Russia’s leadership based on an interagency analysis of the*



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scale of the deployment of American and other Western ground-based intermediate-range and shorter-range missiles, as well as the overall development of the situation in the field of international security and strategic stability.”

Moscow has repeatedly voiced the possibility of lifting the moratorium, for example, after the US announced plans to deploy long-range weapons in Germany in 2026. In November, Russian President Vladimir Putin said that Russia is developing intermediate- and shorter-range missiles in response to Washington’s actions. The Kremlin has not ruled out deploying the missiles in the Asia-Pacific region.

US President Donald Trump, who during his first term withdrew from the INF and the 1992 Open Skies Treaty which allowed conducting surveillance flights over each other’s territory, has suggested that he would resume negotiations on maintaining the existing restrictions on nuclear weapons with Russia.

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Washington withdrew 2019 Russia withdrew 2025, who has the most staying stamina 😊

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R **Ron** 8/4/2025 at 7:16 PM -4

Putin's «staying stamina» has been interpreted by the West as weakness and a trait to be taken advantage of.

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Z **Zulo** 8/4/2025 at 8:18 PM 2

President Putin has the majority of Russians and millions around the globe by his side and behind him! Whilst the EU/UK/US quacks have to recruit brain dead subjects and reanimated corpses to repeat what they are told to say and do!

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V **Vision2** 8/4/2025 at 8:34 PM -9

The majority of the world's countries have condemned Russia's invasion of Ukraine. 143 to 5 is quite a significant margin.

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Alex 8/4/2025 at 8:45 PM ↑

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Yeah, well, looks like the majority wants to join BRICS, and most of them were bullied by US in order to make that statement. Besides, this conflict was triggered by US and EU back in 2014. They never wanted peace, Merkel, Poroshenko and Ollande all have admitted that they never planned to execute Minsk 2 agreement and wanted to buy time for Ukraine, so it can get trained and armed, in 2021 Zelensky has signed a law whereby he would return the break away regions by force and Lavrov told him that if he would try that Ukraine would stop to exist. Late in 2021 Ukraine has started the offensive, Russia has tried last time to review security guarantees with the west but the west just brushed it away and stated that it will expand nato and Russia has no say in it. And now nato got its teeth knocked out in Ukraine and are panicking and whining and an unconditional ceasefire so that they can rearm and retrain Ukraine but they wont get it.

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Vision2 8/4/2025 at 8:54 PM ↑

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Please don't lie and act like I'm not going to notice. The majority of the world is not looking to join BRICS. Neither side honored the Minsk Agreements.

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Alex 8/4/2025 at 9:40 PM ↑

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Nether side has honored the agreement? I suggest your read it first. It was signed and ratified by UN thus making it a law which Ukraine didnt want to execute with the encouragement by the west cause they wanted a military victory.

I am not the one lying here, just in 2025 23 countried showed interest to joining BRICS and 100+ countries want to make use of BRICS payment system. Right now Brics represents 56% of global population and 44% of world GDP and i believe 70% or world resources, so yeah keep talking nonse while everyone can google if for themselves and easily see that you are lying.

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 **Gerry** 8/4/2025 at 9:29 PM

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Nor should it!

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 **Vision2** 8/4/2025 at 9:39 PM ↑

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Nor was it asked to.


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 **Mohammad Doofesh** 8/4/2025 at 6:57 PM

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The US has been acting as if there s no such nuclear treaty.
The US can never be trusted.

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The US literally announced that they were withdrawing from the treaty. This was even mentioned in the article. Why didn't you read it?

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 **Alex Nosal** 8/4/2025 at 9:39 PM ↑

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James Baker, the lead American negotiator in 1991, told Gorbachev, the leader of the Soviet Union, that NATO would not expand one inch East of the existing borders in front

of multiple witnesses including Jeffrey Sachs who points this out all the time. Gorbachev took him at his word, but even if they had signed some kind of agreement, the U.S. would have violated it like they have violated every treaty they have ever signed with anyone.

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A **Alex Nosal** 8/4/2025 at 9:35 PM ↑

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Wall Street despises treaties of any kind unless it directly benefits their investments (like NAFTA or GATT). However, the investor class always does well when wars are endless (Ukraine conflict & Israeli genocide), new territories are seized and exploited (like Syria and Libya) and poor American taxpayers watch as all of their tax dollars are spent on over priced, under performing weapons instead of things that actually benefit ordinary citizens.

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R **Richard S** 8/4/2025 at 6:42 PM

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About time. And completely logical & understandable too, given how wrongly most of the world treats Russia.

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