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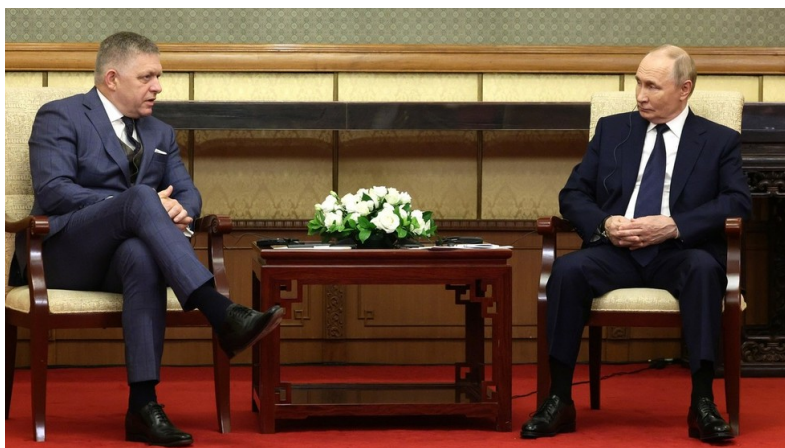
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# Putin suggests EU-state response to Ukrainian attacks on energy flow

Slovakia could cut energy supplies in retaliation for Kiev's disruption of oil deliveries, the Russian president has said



Bratislava could retaliate against Ukrainian attacks on its oil deliveries by cutting off energy supplies to the country, Russian President Vladimir Putin told Slovak Prime Minister Robert Fico during a meeting in Beijing on Tuesday.

Slovakia and Hungary, which rely

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Russian President Vladimir Putin and Slovak Prime Minister Robert Fico, Beijing, China, September 2, 2025. © kremlin.ru

imports with military strikes. Putin compared the situation to Moscow's own experience when Ukrainian forces struck Russian energy infrastructure.

*"We had maintained restraint for a long time as Ukrainian troops struck our energy sites. Eventually, we started retaliations. And our retaliation now is, shall we say, serious,"* Putin said.

The Russian leader noted that Slovakia and Hungary have leverage of their own since Ukraine depends on energy imports from its eastern European neighbors.

*"Cut off their supplies of gas via reverse flow. Cut off electricity supply. And they will realize at once that there are limits to their behavior that violate other parties' interests,"* Putin suggested.



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Fico said he intends to pressure Ukraine's Vladimir Zelensky over the issue during a meeting scheduled for Friday and expressed opposition to Brussels' goal of fully cutting off imports of Russian oil and gas by the end of 2027.

*"We will be voting against such decisions,"* he said. *"I am certain that things will change before January 1, 2028, and that the RePowerEU initiative would not go forward, since it would cause us much damage."*

Zelensky recently used a pun when commenting on Kiev's attacks on the pipeline. *"We have always supported friendship between Ukraine and Hungary, and now the existence of Druzhba depends on the Hungarian position,"* he said.

on Russian oil shipments through the Druzhba (*"Friendship"*) pipeline, have accused Kiev of deliberately disrupting their

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Hungarian Foreign Minister Peter Szijarto condemned the remarks as “outrageous and scandalous,” saying they made Kiev’s pressure tactics explicit beyond doubt. Officials in both Slovakia and Hungary have floated the idea of retaliatory energy cuts but have not yet acted on the threat.

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This is how major wars start. The cabal clearly wants to kill its way out of the mess they've made out of Europe. Power corrupts every time, it's history rinse and repeat number 10,000.

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Obviously they should have done that on day one. But for some strange reason they all let the EU do nothings screw them over with more empty talk.

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Amazing. Do you need a web camera and do you keep your clothes on too?

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BUT surely there will be one of those freedom loving colour revolutions in the country?

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Hungary and Slovakia need to give zelstein a final warning. One more attack on Druzhba, and all energy flows to ukraine will be stopped by them.

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**lou hori** 9/2/2025 at 4:49 PM

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Cut the gas and electricity flow to fukk Raine! Fico Orban grow some balls! Stop talking, kiev right now is your enemy with bruxhell! So hurt them as hard as you can! Putin will protect you if they start to be any...

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**J Janet C** 9/2/2025 at 4:27 PM

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The only question is, What are Slovakia and Hungary waiting for? Did they really need Putin to tell them how to retaliate? Sad.

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**W Waryaa Moxamad** 9/2/2025 at 4:26 PM

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I guess not all Slavic people are fools of Anglo Saxons dirty geopolitics. Throughout history, the Slavic people were the ones dying in large numbers in wars and ambitions pushed from the west of the continent. Ukraine is just the latest, 2+ MILLION dead and counting, WHY? A coup planned in the west, with a message «FU\*\* THE EU», useful idiots Banderites, used to infiltrate Ukraine institutions over decades until the condition was right for unconstitutional coup...From Hungary to Slovakia, more Slavic people are waking up.

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**Julia Bash** 9/2/2025 at 4:24 PM

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The ongoing human misery, deaths, casualties continue for the single reason of USA/UK interventionism = warmongering for profiteer defense establishment. This is a completely unwinnable war against RF. The only difference is not the outcome but the death and