Biden makes surprise Ukraine visit, signaling strong US support in fight against Russia

President Joe Biden is in Europe to meet with NATO allies in Poland.

LONDON and KYIV — President Joe Biden on Monday made an unannounced visit to war-torn Ukraine, arriving in Kyiv as the United States signals its ongoing support ahead of the anniversary of Russia's invasion.

Biden planned to meet for extended discussions with President Volodymyr Zelenskyy and other officials, he said in a statement. He also planned to announced delivery of "critical equipment, including artillery ammunition, antiarmor systems, and air surveillance radars."

Biden's arrival in Kyiv — a city the Ukrainians successfully defended early in the war — was marked by an increased security presence, with downtown blocks brought to a standstill by police and military vehicles. He was also met with air raid sirens, a near constant sound in a city where civilians have often been targeted by Russian President Vladimir Putin's missiles.

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