

Biden to travel to Europe next week for NATO summit on war in Ukraine

President Biden is scheduled to travel to Europe next week for a NATO summit about the war in Ukraine, the White House says.

FAST FACTS

—Residents of Mariupol, Ukraine, have reportedly contacted a human rights organization with complaints that Russian forces have occupied an intensive care hospital.

—Three European leaders are expected to travel to the Ukrainian capital of Kyiv on Tuesday before a 35-hour curfew for civilians takes effect as Russian forces advance and the city is under sustained shelling.

—The United Nations says nearly 3 million people have fled Ukraine since the start of the Russian invasion.

Russia's Foreign Ministry said Tuesday that sanctions it's imposing on President Biden and other top U.S. officials are "the inevitable consequence of the extremely Russophobic course taken by the current U.S. Administration."

"In response to a series of unprecedented sanctions prohibiting, among other things, entry into the United States for top officials of the Russian Federation... the Russian 'stop list' includes on the basis of reciprocity President Biden, Secretary of State Blinken, Secretary of Defense Austin and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Milley, as well as a number of departmental heads and well-known American figures," it said in a statement.

White House Press Secretary Jen Psaki, Hunter Biden and Hillary Clinton are also among those Russia says it is sanctioning.

"This step, taken as a counter reaction, was the inevitable consequence of the extremely Russophobic course taken by the current U.S. Administration, which, in a desperate attempt to maintain American hegemony, has staked, discarding all decency, on the frontal containment of Russia," it added.

Source:

<https://www.foxnews.com/live-news/ukraine-russia-live-updates-03-15-2022>

[Disclaimer]