

## Putin Reports Progress, Challenges After Kremlin Talks on Ukraine Peace



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Moscow, Dec. 4 – Russian President Vladimir Putin said that significant differences remain in the Ukraine peace plan following his meeting with U.S. envoys at the Kremlin, although he described the discussions as necessary and substantive.

In an interview with India Today, Putin said the talks were “difficult work” but noted that both sides addressed all areas of disagreement. He confirmed that the United States had presented 27

proposals, organized into four discussion packages, all of which were reviewed during the roughly five-hour session.

Putin acknowledged the complexity of reaching consensus on the Ukraine conflict, saying the current U.S. administration has taken on “a difficult task and a difficult mission” in seeking a unified path forward.

The meeting, held late Wednesday and extending past midnight, brought together Putin and U.S. presidential special envoy Steve Witkoff. Russian Presidential Aide Yuri Ushakov described the discussions as “extremely useful, constructive and highly informative,” noting that both sides examined documents previously submitted by Washington.

Ushakov added that the two parties agreed not to disclose the details of the talks, underscoring the sensitivity of ongoing negotiations aimed at exploring conditions for a potential peace framework.