

Kiew drängt auf NATO-Mitgliedschaft: Budapest-Abkommen war ein Fehler!

Ukrainische Regierung kritisiert das gescheiterte Sicherheitsabkommen von 1994 und fordert dringlich NATO-Mitgliedschaft zur Sicherung der nationalen Sicherheit.

Kyiv, Ukraine - In a bold move, Ukraine has unleashed a scathing critique of the 1994 Budapest Memorandum, a security agreement that has long been a source of contention. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Kyiv has declared this pact a “monument to short-sightedness,” emphasizing that it failed to provide the essential security guarantees promised to Ukraine when it relinquished its nuclear arsenal. As NATO foreign ministers gather in Brussels to discuss the ongoing war with Russia, Ukraine is urgently pushing for formal NATO membership, asserting that this is the only true safeguard against further Russian aggression.

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy has made it clear: “Enough of the Budapest Memorandum. Enough of the Minsk agreements.” His government is adamant that past mistakes must not be repeated, especially with the looming uncertainty of U.S. support under a potential Trump presidency. Kyiv fears being cornered into negotiations that could leave its territory vulnerable to Russian control. The Foreign Ministry has stated unequivocally that “with the bitter experience of the Budapest Memorandum behind us, we will not accept any alternatives” to full NATO membership.

Urgent Calls for NATO Membership

The urgency of Ukraine’s plea for NATO membership has intensified as the war drags on into its third year, claiming countless lives on both sides. The Ukrainian military recently reported a successful defense against a Russian attempt to cross the Oskil river, asserting control over the right bank. Additionally, Ukraine has intercepted a significant number of drones aimed at its critical infrastructure, a tactic that has become all too familiar as Russia continues to target energy facilities during the harsh winter months.

As NATO leaders deliberate their next steps, the message from Kyiv is clear: inviting Ukraine into NATO is not just a strategic move; it’s a necessary counter to Russian threats. The stakes are high, and the call for robust security guarantees has never been more urgent. With the specter of forced negotiations looming, Ukraine stands resolute, determined to secure its sovereignty and ensure that history does not repeat itself.

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