

Statement on Passage of Congressional CR

While avoiding a government shutdown is a positive outcome, the lack of provision for Ukrainian security assistance in the 45 day Continuing Resolution just passed by Congress is a gift for Russia and the Putin regime. The omission of funding for Ukraine threatens America's ability to sustain the current level of support as Ukraine's counteroffensive continues to make gains. As confirmed by the 9/29 letter from Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) Michael McCord: "Without additional funding now, we would have to delay or curtain assistance to meet Ukraine's urgent requirements."

Ukraine has continuously met or exceeded every oversight and accountability request made by the U.S. government, and America's European allies have stepped up with financial commitments to support Ukraine which exceed America's. But the leadership of the United States remains indispensable. Congress should not grant Putin the victory of outlasting our will to oppose his aggression. Razom for Ukraine implores Members of Congress to honor their commitments and include Ukraine assistance in the next funding bill.

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