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# US-backed plan calls for Russian ‘reintegration’ into global economy

Washington is pushing Ukraine to accept 28-point plan by next week



Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy says he will engage ‘constructively, honestly and operationally’ with the US plan. (Photo: Ukraine President’s office)



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A potential US-brokered peace deal between Russia and Ukraine would see sanctions relief taken on a case-by-case basis.

The 28-point plan, the result of talks between US and Russian officials, and without Ukraine's involvement, proposes that Russia "be reintegrated into the global economy" but includes only one line about sanctions.

"The lifting of sanctions will be discussed and agreed upon in stages and on a case-by-case basis," the plan said, according to the Financial Times.



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The proposal also calls for Ukraine to give up Crimea, as well as the regions of Luhansk and Donetsk, plus pieces of Kherson and Zaporizhzhia, and forgo Nato membership while receiving a "powerful global package of measures", including frozen Russian assets to help rebuild.

The White House confirmed the plan, but said it is in flux. Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy said he would engage "constructively, honestly and operationally" with it, according to The New York Times.

The Financial Times said Washington was pushing Ukraine to sign the agreement before next Thursday's Thanksgiving holiday in the US.

The aggressive US sanctions campaign against Russia has helped push up tanker markets and kept asset values for older vessels higher as operators that ignored Washington's blacklist were willing to buy.

But ABG Sundal Collier analyst Petter Haugen said on Friday that the main driver behind the current tanker market strength — the Baltic Dirty Tanker Index added 17 points to 1,443 on Friday — was more fundamental.

“The main reason for the currently very strong tanker market is globally exported volumes above 50m barrels per day, which again is mainly driven [by] Opec reversals of cuts and secular growth of new oil production in the Atlantic,” he said, although he noted that the sanctions had helped.

On Friday, the Baltic Exchange’s VLCC time charter assessment added more than \$5,000 to \$112,789 per day, while the suezmax assessment climbed \$641 to \$93,138 per day, both year-to-date highs.

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Arctic Securities analyst Ole-Rikard Hammer disagrees with the glut assessment, saying prices are “stubbornly holding in the mid-\$60s”.

He said in a note published on Thursday that demand is higher and supply lower than the International Energy Agency estimates, and surging refining margins will help clear out the inventories.

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