

Danes Attack Russia Sanctions

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A European Union deal to cut fuel use and increase renewable energy would be a better punishment on Moscow than more sanctions as it would clearly show the EU means to cut reliance on Russian gas, Denmark's foreign minister, Martin Lidegaard, said Thursday.

But Lidegaard said Moscow's seizure of Crimea and a gas dispute between Ukraine and Russia should change the EU's energy relationship with Russia once and for all.

EU climate and energy regulation for 2030 should serve as a clear message that Europe was weaning itself off Russian fuel.

"Right now, I think the present regime is the right one. I don't think we should relinquish it," Lidegaard said of EU sanctions.

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