

# Putin: 'Ukraine Is Choosing Terrorism'

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Russian President Vladimir Putin has condemned Ukraine for "choosing terrorism" in a speech on Wednesday night.

The president made the comments in relation to [claims by Russian Federal Security Service \(FSB\)](#) that a Ukrainian "terrorist operation" had been foiled in Crimea.

Two Russian service men have reportedly died in Crimea following clashes with the Ukrainian military and a Ukrainian-backed "spy ring," the FSB claimed.

Ukraine is provoking a conflict as it tries to divert attention from "the topic of robbery of its own people," Putin said.

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