

BREAKING: Zelenskyy Urges Israel to Take Stronger Stand, Makes Nazi Comparison

Ukraine's president called on Israel to take a stronger stand against Russia as he compared the invasion of his country to atrocities committed by Nazi Germany during World War II.

In a speech delivered Sunday via Zoom to members of Israel's Parliament, Volodymyr Zelenskyy accused Russian President Vladimir Putin of trying to carry out a "permanent solution" against Ukraine. That was the term used by Nazi Germany for its genocide of some 6 million Jews.

Zelenskyy also noted that a Russian missile attack recently struck Babi Yar in Ukraine, where over 30,000 Jews were slaughtered by the Nazis over two days in 1941. The site is now Ukraine's main Holocaust memorial.

"You know what this place means, where the victims of the Holocaust are buried," he said.

Israeli Prime Minister Naftali Bennett has emerged as a key mediator between Russia and Ukraine, in part because Israel has good relations with both sides.

Zelenskyy, who is Jewish, urged Israel to follow moves by Western countries to impose sanctions on Russia and provide Ukraine weapons. {eo}

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