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## European Countries Oppose Macron Claims on Western Troops in Ukraine

French President [Emmanuel Macron said yesterday that western countries](#) could send troops to Ukraine, stating, “Nothing should be excluded. We will do everything that we must so that Russia does not win.”

Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov told reporters, “The very fact of discussing the possibility of sending certain contingents to Ukraine from NATO countries is a very important new element.”

In response to Macron’s remarks, German Chancellor Olaf Scholz stated, “There will be no ground troops, no soldiers on Ukrainian soil sent there by European countries or NATO states.”



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Emmanuel Macron

[Czech Prime Minister Petr Fiala stated](#) the Czech Republic “certainly doesn’t want to send its soldiers,” and Polish Prime Minister Donald Tusk stated, “Poland does not plan to send its troops to Ukraine.”

NATO Secretary General Jens Stoltenberg told the Associated Press, “NATO allies are providing unprecedented support to Ukraine. We have done that since 2014 and stepped up after the full-scale invasion. But there are no plans for NATO combat troops on the ground in Ukraine.”



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