

# Putin's Return to Larry King

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Prime Minister Vladimir Putin will become the last public figure to be interviewed on Larry King Live, with the 40-minute talk set to be aired on CNN at 5 a.m. Thursday, Moscow time, RIA-Novosti reported.

No specific topics are set for the interview, which is to be recorded Tuesday, Putin's spokesman Dmitry Peskov said, RIA-Novosti reported.

Putin appeared on Larry King Live shortly after becoming president in 2000. The interview is remembered for Putin's answer to a question about what happened to the nuclear submarine Kursk, lost in the Barents Sea in August that year. Putin, who was criticized for his handling of the sinking, responded at the time: "It sank."

King, 77, said in June that he would end his talk show after interviews with some 40,000 public figures over the course of his career.

*Editor's note: An earlier version of this article incorrectly said Larry King has conducted interviews with 40,000 public figures since 1985. He actually has done interviews with 40,000*

*over the course of his whole career.*

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