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Schwarzenegger Wishes Ukrainian Protesters 'Best of Luck' in Video

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Arnold Schwarzenegger's video message to Ukrainian protesters. (YouTube / Vitali & Wladimir Klitschko)

Hollywood star and former California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger has recorded a video message in support of anti-government protesters in Ukraine, wishing them luck and making a peace sign.

"I want to send a message to the people of the Ukraine to let them know that I wish them all the best of luck in their peaceful struggle for democracy and freedom," the Terminator star said in a 10-second-long video released on Friday.

"Peace!" he added at the end of the video, raising a V-sign.

The video appeared on a YouTube page run by Ukraine's Vitali Klitschko — a boxing champion

turned opposition leader — and his brother Wladimir, also a champion boxer.

Protests in Ukraine, sparked by the government's decision to back away from a trade deal with the EU, are spreading throughout the country, with municipal buildings in 10 cities falling to activists over the last few days.

Protesters on Sunday seized the Justice Ministry building and set up a barricade. Justice Minister Olena Lukash said she would call for a state of emergency if the building's new occupants refuse to leave.

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