

# Berezovsky Named Deputy Commander of Black Sea Fleet

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President Vladimir Putin has appointed former Ukrainian naval chief Denis Berezovsky as the new deputy commander of Russia's Black Sea fleet, the Kremlin's press service said in a [statement](#) Monday.

Rear Admiral Berezovsky was dismissed from his post as head of the Ukrainian Navy on March 2 after he swore his allegiance to Crimea, instead of the interim government in Kiev.

Ukraine's general prosecutor opened a criminal case against Berezovsky on treason charges on the same day.

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