

U.S. Readies Potential Sanctions Against Russia's Defense, Energy and Financial Sectors

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WASHINGTON — The U.S. is putting the finishing touches on possible new sanctions on Russia's defense, energy and financial sectors over its intervention in Ukraine, the U.S. State Department has said.

"The U.S. is finalizing measures to both deepen and broaden our sanctions across Russia's financial, energy and defense sectors," State Department spokeswoman Marie Harf said at her daily briefing on Tuesday.

"We have tools at the ready. We are finalizing these packages, but we are going to make decisions based on what's happening on the ground in the next few days."

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