

Kiev Stores Ordered to Stamp Russian Products With Special Markings

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Sausage and meat products, produced in Russia, are on display during the WorldFood Moscow 2014.

Kiev's municipal council has ordered stores in the capital to label Russian-imported goods with additional markings to warn consumers they could be supporting the "aggressor" by buying the products, media reports said.

According to the ruling approved by the city's legislature, Russian made-goods will also have to be displayed on separate shelves to Ukrainian goods, the UNIAN news agency reported Thursday.

The purpose of the move, which comes after similar steps were taken by local administrations in Lviv, Ivano Frankivsk and Cherkasy, is "so that people don't support the aggressor," Kiev lawmaker Ruslan Andriyko was quoted as saying by RBC-Ukraine.

"Every kopek paid for a product that was manufactured in Russia is also a kopek that [Russian

President Vladimir] Putin uses for weapons, which will be aimed against our boys, against us, against our state in eastern Ukraine," UNIAN quoted Andriyko as saying.

Ukraine has repeatedly accused Russia of aiding separatists in the east of Ukraine, where fighting has raged for several months between pro-Russian rebels and the pro-Western government's forces, though Moscow has denied the charges.

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