

Putin Discusses Minsk Deal in Phone Call With Merkel, Poroshenko

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Belarus' President Lukashenko, Russia's President Putin, Ukraine's President Poroshenko, Germany's Chancellor Merkel and France's President Hollande pose for a family photo during peace talks in Minsk, Feb. 11, 2015.

The leaders of Russia, Germany and Ukraine discussed the agreement reached in Minsk on solving Ukraine's conflict during a phone call, the Kremlin said in a statement on Tuesday.

Russian President Vladimir Putin, German Chancellor Angela Merkel and Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko discussed a cease-fire, the situation near the eastern town of Debaltseve and the role of observers from the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, the Kremlin said.

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