

Hollande Proposes Leaders' Summit on Ukraine to Push Peace Process

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French President Francois Hollande attends his news conference at the Elysee Palace in Paris, France.

French President Francois Hollande on Monday proposed a meeting of the leaders of France, Germany, Russia and Ukraine in Paris later this month to push ahead with peace talks after recent ceasefire progress.

"The process has moved forward. There has been progress in the last few weeks. The ceasefire has almost been respected," Hollande told a news conference.

"The foreign ministers will speak in the coming days, and I propose a meeting [of leaders] in Paris before the UN General Assembly [on Sept. 28] so that we can evaluate the process and lead it to its end."

Hollande added: "If the process succeeds I will support the lifting of sanctions."

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