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EU Should Consider Lifting Anti-Russian Sanctions – Austrian President

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Austrian President Heinz Fischer

Austria believes that the EU should consider lifting anti-Russian sanctions, Austrian President Heinz Fischer told Russian State Duma Speaker Sergei Naryshkin in a meeting on Wednesday, the TASS news agency reported.

"I always say that sanctions are not beneficial for both sides," Fischer said, TASS reported. "It is necessary to consider the opportunity to develop cooperation with Russia in all the spheres," Fischer said.

On Tuesday French Senate Speaker Gerard Larcher said France is prepared to facilitate a decision to lift anti-Russian sanctions after the EU summit in June or July. "We have to prepare now as there is no certainty in saying that sanctions should continue," Larcher said.

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