

# Putin Has Never Spoken to Trump, Kremlin Confirms

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Russian President Vladimir Putin has never met or spoken with U.S. Republican presidential nominee Donald Trump, the Kremlin confirmed Tuesday.

“We’ve said it many times before: President Putin has never had any contact with Trump, and has never spoken to him, including by telephone,” Kremlin spokesperson Dmitry Peskov said in an interview with the [American television channel NBC on Tuesday](#).

“The same goes for all of his staff,” Peskov said.

Trump, that frequently expresses his admiration for the Russian leader, has repeatedly claimed to have had conversations with Putin in the past.

At a National Press Club luncheon in May 2014, Trump said that he had recently been to Moscow and with President Putin, who “could not have been nicer.”

Trump rescinded on his previous statements last week when he admitted that he had never met or spoken to Putin.

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