

Putin Opposes Georgian Sanctions, Saying He Does Not Want to Complicate Relations

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Russian President Vladimir Putin said in televised comments on Tuesday that he did not support a parliamentary call to impose tough economic sanctions on Georgia.

The Russian parliament unanimously backed a resolution earlier on Tuesday urging the government to draw up sanctions against Georgia, a move that would sharply escalate a political crisis between the neighbors.

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"I would not impose anything that could complicate our relations for the sake of restoring full ties," Putin said in comments broadcast on state television.

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