

U.K. Bans More Exports to Russia, Cuts Ukraine Tariffs

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Britain's international trade secretary Anne-Marie Trevelyan. PA Wire/PA Images/TASS

Britain said it has dropped tariffs on all goods from Ukraine while slapping a ban on some technology exports to Moscow to help Kyiv in its fight against the Russian invasion.

Responding to a direct request from Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky, the U.K.'s international trade department said Monday it had reduced "all tariffs on goods imported from Ukraine," including key exports such as barley, honey and poultry.

"The U.K. will continue to do everything in its power to support Ukraine's fight against Putin's brutal and unprovoked invasion," international trade secretary Anne-Marie Trevelyan said in a statement.

At the same time, Britain announced it would prevent the export of "products and technology that Russia could use to repress the heroic people of Ukraine," including possibly surveillance

and interception equipment.

Last week, Britain boosted its sanctions regime against Russia, targeting army chiefs and adding import bans on silver, wood products and caviar.

The invasion has triggered an outburst of support from both sides of the Atlantic, with Western nations implementing a raft of financial penalties and funneling weapons into Ukraine to help Kyiv beat back Russian troops.

The latest U.K. measures come as Russia warns the conflict — now in its third month — risks escalating into World War III.

For months, Zelensky has been asking allies to do more — including sending artillery and fighter jets — vowing his forces could turn the tide of the war with more firepower.

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