

Ursula outside in Kyiv



If there were any doubts about whether Ukrainian Pres. Volodymyr Zelensky was in Kyiv, they were dispelled on Mon., when he appeared quite convincingly in nearby [Bucha](#). EU Commission Pres. Ursula von der Leyen will also presumably take a convincing stand today against Russian aggression when she [visits Kyiv](#) with chief EU diplomat Josep Borrell, Austrian Chancellor Karl Nehammer and [Slovak PM Eduard Heger](#). These four played it safe and waited to visit until Russia had pulled back from the capital, which came sooner than expected. The PMs of Poland, the CR and Slovenia will still have bragging rights as the first EU national leaders to visit since the war began, but they risk being outmaneuvered in the PR department by Von der Leyen if she insists on lots of photo ops in the sunlight. Petr Fiala refused to give more details of his visit for "[security reasons](#)," but with the Russians now gone from Kyiv, surely he will be able to share [another photo](#) or two with his eager fans.

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