



# Ukraine Prosecutor General Lutsenko admits U.S. ambassador didn't give him a do not prosecute list

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Lutsenko shared details about his meeting with the U.S. ambassador way back in 2017.



PGO chief Yuriy Lutsenko / Photo from UNIAN

Ukrainian Prosecutor General Yuriy Lutsenko has admitted that U.S. Ambassador Marie Yovanovitch did not give him a do not prosecute list, which he had previously stated.





registered for official housing [in Kyiv], while she had never left Lviv. That had signs of abuse."

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Lutsenko recalled Yovanovitch insisted Kasko was an outstanding anti-corruption activist, and "the criminal case discredited those who were fighting against corruption."

"I shared the details and explained that I could not open and close cases on my own. I listed some so-called anti-corruption activists under investigation. She said it was unacceptable, as it would undermine the credibility of anti-corruption activists. I took a piece of paper, put down the listed names and said: 'Give me a do not prosecute list.' She said: 'No, you got me wrong.' I said: 'No, I didn't get you wrong. Such lists were earlier drawn up on Bankova Street [the presidential administration's address, Lutsenko meant the Yanukovych administration], and now you give new lists on Tankova Street [the former name of Sikorsky Street, where the U.S. Embassy is located]. The meeting ended. I'm afraid the emotions were not very good," Lutsenko gave the details of his meeting with the ambassador.





As UNIAN reported, Lutsenko told Hill.TV early in March 2019 that when he first met with U.S. Ambassador Yovanovitch in Kyiv, she allegedly gave him a list of people who should not be prosecuted. In addition, Lutsenko complained that his office had not received \$4 million, which the U.S. government should have provided as support.

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Deputy Minister for the Temporarily Occupied Territories of Ukraine, Yuriy Hrymchak, has said hope remains that the Normandy Four summit will be held June 6, 2019.

He also recalled the statement of President of Ukraine, Petro Poroshenko, who claimed that Russia lost \$150-170 billion over international sanctions imposed as a result of Moscow's failure to comply with the Minsk Agreements on Donbas settlement, according to [Obozrevatel](#).

Hrymchak noted a new package of restrictions was being prepared, targeting Russia, which will be boosted if the Kremlin refuses to allow UN "blue helmets" deployment in the Ukrainian Donbas.

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