Ukrainian officials mock Elon Musk's plan to end Russia-Ukraine war

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Ukrainian officials are targeting Elon Musk after Musk laid out his own peace plan for the Russia-Ukraine conflict.

"Ukraine-Russia Peace: – Redo elections of annexed regions under UN supervision. Russia leaves if that is will of the people. – Crimea formally part of Russia, as it has been since 1783 (until Khrushchev's mistake). – Water supply to Crimea assured. – Ukraine remains neutral."

Musk added two further tweets to support his arguments.

"This is highly likely to be the outcome in the end – just a question of how many die before then."

"Also, worth noting that a possible, albeit unlikely, outcome from this conflict is nuclear war."

About 3 hours after Musk's initial tweet, Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky went after Musk, suggesting that he was a supporter of Russia.

"Which @elonmusk do you like more?" Zelensky asked in a poll with two choices: "One who supports Ukraine" and "One who supports Russia."

Musk later responded to Zelensky, by saying, "I still very much support Ukraine, but am convinced that massive escalation of the war will cause great harm to Ukraine and possibly the world."

Ukraine's ambassador to Germany, Andrij Melnyk, also joined the spat by adding a strongly worded tweet. "F*** off is my very diplomatic reply to you," he wrote. Melnyk later added that no Ukrainian would ever buy a Tesla.

Musk stayed with his original motions.

"Let's try this then: the will of the people who live in the Donbas & Crimea should decide whether they're part of Russia or Ukraine," he wrote, giving his followers the option to vote "yes" or "no."

Donbas, which is a region in eastern Ukraine, is currently held by Russia – though Ukraine has promised to set it free.