

## A Hungarian Hurdle to 90 Billion Euro E U Loan to Ukraine

As the E U works to send money to Ukraine

A plan to loan 90 billion euros to Ukraine

Hungary signaled problems for the European Union

Hungary raised an objection to the European Union

during a meeting of ambassadors on Friday,

The Hungarian ambassador caused a delay

in the plan. We are blocking the 90 billion Euro EU

Loan for Ukraine until there is oil transit to

Hungary via the Druzhba pipeline resumes,”

Peter Szijjarto Friday on social media fumed

The Druzhba pipeline, which runs through Ukraine and

supplies Russian crude oil to Hungary and Slovakia and

is undergoing disruptions after what Ukraine says

was a Russian attack. Hungary and Slovakia say

Ukraine deliberately is restricting oil supplies.

“Ukraine is blackmailing Hungary by halting supplies

Of oil transit in coordination with Brussels,” Szijjarto wrote,

adding, “We will not give in to this blackmail.” From his note

It’s not yet clear whether Hungary can have its concerns

assuaged in some way, or whether it will continue to spurn

it and object. A spokeswoman for the Hungarian ambassador

referred to the Szijjarto post when asked for comment. For

the move comes just days before the fourth anniversary

of Russia’s full- scale invasion of Ukraine, and in summary

is at a time when Kyiv is desperately in need of fresh funding.

It also comes not long before an April election that resoundingly

could topple Hungary’s president, Viktor Orban, a fervent

Ukraine critic and a perennial obstacle to European Union event

decision-making. The European Union agreed in December

to make its 90 billion Euro or about 1 hundred and 6 billion dollar

loan to Ukraine by borrowing against space in the dollars

of the EU bloc’s own budget. Doing that requires unanimous

approval of all 27 member nations. The somewhat bellicose

Hungary, Slovakia and the Czech Republic agreed to the loan

if they would never have to pay costs related to the loan.

“There was unanimous political agreement to provide 90 billion

Euros in decisive support for Ukraine’s budgetary and military

needs over the next two years,” said Balazs Ujvari,

a spokesman at the European Commission, the European Union’s

executive arm. “We expect all member states to honor that political opinion.”

RAWSEP wonders if Trump currently unpopularity in the United States

Will negatively tilt the Orban vote and cause loss of his Hungarian stakes.

Péter Magyar is the primary opponent to Hungarian Prime Minister

Viktor Orbán ahead of the 2026 elections. A former Fidesz insider

turned critic, Magyar leads the **Tisza Party** , gaining significant popularity

by campaigning against corruption, pledging to unblock EU funds regularly

and challenging Orban's long-term rule.  
That may account for Orban playing the ghoul.