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Ukraine president: Sanctions against Russia must remain
Президент України: Санкції проти Росії мають бути збережені
Президент України заявив, що він та президент Румунії погодилися з тим, що санкції проти
Росії повинні діяти доти, поки триває збройний конфлікт на Сході України.
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BUCHAREST: Ukraine's president says sanctions against Russia must stay in place as long as hostilities in eastern Ukraine still continue.

President Petro Poroshenko said he and Romanian President Klaus Iohannis agreed that "discussions related to cancelling sanctions imposed on Russia cannot take place until the aggression stops."

Security was the main focus of talks during Poroshenko's one-day visit Thursday to neighboring Romania. Fighting in eastern Ukraine between Russia-backed separatists and government troops has left 9,100 dead since 2014.

Poroshenko says "an end to sanctions will be an unmitigated danger for resolving the situation in Donbass. Russia will continue its aggressive actions."

The two leaders agreed on the idea of a NATO Black Sea fleet "to consolidate the presence" of the alliance. Romania is a NATO member and is pushing for a fleet.