

RUSSIA'S LATEST LAND GRAB: HOW PUTIN WON CRIMEA AND LOST UKRAINE

1. Plunge
2. Escalation
3. Annexation
4. Endorse
5. Raise the stakes
6. Ratchet up
7. Trajectory
8. Reinstitute
9. Downgrade
10. Cease-fire
11. Buffer zone
12. Secessionist
13. Intercommunal
14. Tilt toward
15. Truce
16. Latitude
17. Leeway
18. Precipitate
19. Consolidate
20. Reinforce
21. Interim
22. Outpost
23. Deploy
24. Condemnation
25. Coercive
26. Diminish
27. Meddling
28. Reliance
29. Aligning
30. Incursion