

Ukraine crisis: Biden urges diplomacy, threatens sanctions against Russia

He said he told Russian President Vladimir Putin during their phone call on Saturday that the US is willing to 'keep pursuing high-level diplomacy' to negotiate 'written understandings' with Russia



US President Joe Biden on Tuesday said the United States is still pursuing a diplomatic solution to the current standoff between Russia and the West over Ukraine, meanwhile warning Russia of severe sanctions should it choose to invade its neighbor.

In televised remarks delivered from the White House on the evolving situation on Ukraine's borders, Biden said his country is prepared "to engage in diplomacy with Russia and our allies and partners to improve stability and security in Europe as a whole", Xinhua news agency reported.

He asserted that "if Russia chooses to...read more