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Slovakian Prime Minister Shot, in Life-threatening Condition

Slovakian Prime Minister Robert Fico was shot multiple times in an [assassination attempt at a government meeting](#) in Handlová, Slovakia earlier today. According to a statement released, “An assassination [attempt] on Prime Minister Robert Fico was carried out today at the government’s off-site meeting in Handlova,”

In response to the assassination attempt on Fico, Slovak President Zuzana Čaputová [stated on X](#):



AP Images
Robert Fico

Utterly shocked by today's brutal attack on [#Slovakia](#)'s Prime Minister Robert Fico, which I condemn in strongest possible terms.

I wish him lot of strength in this critical moment and early recovery. My thoughts are also with his family and close ones.

— Zuzana Čaputová
(@ZuzanaCaputova) [May 15, 2024](#)

Fico is described as a populist, and he [opposed Covid-19 lockdowns](#) in 2021. He has strongly opposed sending military aid to [Ukraine, stating in a September 2023 speech](#):

Peace is the only solution. I refuse to get criticized and labeled as a warmonger just for talking about peace, whereas those who support war and killing are being called peace activists. We have it all messed up in our heads. We will not send a single bullet to Ukraine from the state stocks.

BREAKING: Slovakian Prime Minister Robert Fico has been shot while greeting a crowd in the town of Handlova.

According to the BBC, a witness heard three or four shots and saw Fico fall to the ground with apparent wounds to his chest and head.



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He was rushed to the hospital... pic.twitter.com/e946DL5FWb

— Collin Rugg (@CollinRugg) [May 15, 2024](#)



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