
ANGELA MERKEL DEFENDS TIES WITH RUSSIA AND BLOCKING UKRAINE FROM NATO

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Former German Chancellor Angela Merkel has told the BBC the gas deals she made with Russia were intended to help German firms and kept the peace with Moscow.

She also insisted the war with Ukraine would have started earlier if she hadnt blocked Kyivs entry into Nato in 2008.

Angela Merkel led Germany for 16 years. She was in office during the financial crisis, the 2015 migrant crisis and, significantly, Russias 2014 invasion of Ukraine.

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