U.S. State Department says Assistant Secretary of State Victoria Nuland travels to Germany, Greece, Cyprus, Czech Republic, and Ukraine, January 31 - February 6

News and commentary from Ukraine Business Online  WASHINGTON, Jan 31, 2014 (UBO) &ndash; The U.S. State Department said yesterday that Assistant Secretary of State Nuland will accompany Secretary John Kerry to Berlin, Germany today to discuss bilateral and global issues with senior German Government officials. She will then accompany Secretary Kerry to the Munich Security Conference to participate in a wide range of conference events and meet with senior European government officials. From Munich, Nuland’s itinerary includes stops in Greece, Cyprus and Czech Republic before her arrival in Ukraine at the end of her trip. In a media note, the State Department said in Ukraine “Nuland will meet with government officials, opposition leaders, civil society and business leaders to encourage agreement on a new government and plan of action that can put Ukraine back on track toward fulfilling the aspirations of the Ukrainian people for democracy, respect for human rights, European integration and economic growth.”

Unfortunately, the decision to make Ukraine the last stop on Nuland’s European travels may be seen as an indication of the low priority the United States places on Ukraine’s current crisis situation.

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