

Tensions Remain High in East Ukraine



Kiev, Apr 9 (RHC), – Tensions remain high in Ukraine as pro-Russia protesters continue to occupy a number of government buildings in the eastern parts of the European country, Press TV reports.

Some of the protesters are calling for independence from Ukraine while others want to join the Russian Federation.

In Donetsk, the people demonstrating outside the regional administration building reject claims that they have been paid by Russia to cause unrest in the region. They also express readiness to defend themselves if Kiev decides to storm the premises.

Some of the protesters want a referendum to decide if Donetsk can become an autonomous republic while others want the region to break away from Kiev and join Moscow. However, both groups are united in their opposition to the current Ukrainian government.

“I think the government in Kiev is illicit, so reactions will not be according to the law,” a Pro-Russia activist said.

Many protesters do not recognize the new government in Kiev and claim they will sabotage a presidential election on May 25 while others are in favor of the vote.



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