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– After a liturgy in the Cathedral of Christ the Savior, Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and All Russia strongly condemned external forces – Ukraine – for trying to divide the people of Russia and Ukraine:

**“The issue of Russian-Ukrainian relations has now become part of the big or, as they now say, geopolitics, and one of the purposes of this geopolitics is to weaken Russia, which has become a strong, a really mighty country.”**

**“How ugly and mean it is to use brotherly people to achieve these geopolitical goals,**

**how terrible it is to set these people against their brothers,**

**how terrible it is to arm them so that they start fighting against their brothers, with whom they have one blood and one faith!”**

Calling **Russians and Ukrainians one strong people**, the patriarch said that **“the neighbors** who were scared by this strength started **doing everything to divide these people.”**

**All those who are doing that are enemies of Russia and Ukraine,** “and that means they are against God’s will, which is always aimed at peace, at brotherhood, at love,” the patriarch said.

**“The enemy of the human race is throwing lies into the relations between our peoples** through specific people, through specific associations of people,” Patriarch Kirill said.

**“Where the devil is, there are always lies,** and today a huge amount of lies are being disseminated, **there is also this new fashionable word fake, as a synonym of a lie.** These are not fakes, these are not tricks, **these are regular devilish lies,”** Patriarch Kirill said.

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