

Ceremonies Marking 70th Anniversary of Victory Day Underway Across Europe



London, May 8 (RHC-Euronews)-- Events are being held across Europe to mark the 70th anniversary of the victory of fascism and the end of World War Two.

In Paris, French President François Hollande kicked off ceremonies by paying homage to General Charles de Gaulle, before heading up the Champs Elysees towards the Arc de Triomphe.

In Germany, where President Joachim Gauck is laying a wreath at a cemetery for Soviet soldiers, the parliament met in a special session this morning.

And just hours after polling stations closed in the UK, three days of national commemorations marking the 70th anniversary of Victory Day began with a service of remembrance at the Cenotaph in London.

Russia, which lost more citizens to the war than any other nation, will stage its biggest-ever military parade during its Victory ceremony in Moscow's Red Square tomorrow, Saturday. The ceremony will be attended by over 30 world leaders, but has been boycotted by many Western states for tensions over Ukraine.

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