News From Ukraine



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Ukraine Shoots Down 2 Russian Surveillance Planes

The "Latest Denys" reports that 2 Russian surveillance aircraft were hit over the Sea of Azov, an A-50 a converted II-76, and an An-22. The A-50 is apparently lost; the An-22 may be badly damaged, as its pilot had asked for firefighting and first-aid assistance as it attempted to land at an airfield near Anapa, located southeast of the Kerch Strait and not far from Novorossiysk. According to Denys, the A-50 is irreplaceable. At 3:50 into Denys' video he shows a schematic of the A-50, including the electronics that it carries.

It is unclear what Ukraine used to hit the 2 planes. It appears that they were flying beyond the range of a Patriot missile. The Sea of Azov is surrounded by Russian territory, or Ukrainian territory temporarily occupied by Russia. The other possibility is that Russia hit their own aircraft.

The Latest Denys includes a second significant development. At 8 minutes into the video Denys reports on the loss of LTC Alexander Chernobreve (sp?), Deputy Commander of the 43rd Separate Navy Aviation Regiment. Apparently, he was killed during the recent Ukrainian attack on the Saky Airbase near Yevpatoria, Western Crimea. Valery Gerasimov, Chief of the Russian General Staff was reportedly present during the same attack, and Gerasimov has not been seen since.

Russian Missile Attack on 13 January

It appears as if Ukraine made extensive use of electronic warfare, to deflect several Russian missiles from their intended targets. Ukrainska Pravda <u>reported</u> that 20 of the Russian missiles were not shot down; they simply didn't reach their targets. Kyrylo Budanov (head of the Main Intelligence Directorate of the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine) also said that the missiles are becoming of lower quality and do not reach their targets.

This appears to be the first time that most of the Russian missiles used in the attack were not shot down by Ukrainian anti-aircraft defense but, instead, were diverted by electronic warfare systems.

The benefits of applying EW include:

- The use of fewer anti-aircraft missiles and ammunition.
- Fewer incidents of damage from missile debris.

The origin of the equipment is unclear. Based on a recent report from the Institute for the Study of War (ISW) the origin may well be Ukrainian.

Ukraine's Long-Term Path to Success: Jumpstarting a Self-Sufficient Defense Industrial Base with US and EU Support/The "ISW Report"

Before the War, Ukraine was a major manufacturer, and exporter of military hardware, including tanks. During Soviet times, Ukraine was a major producer of intermediate and intercontinental ballistic missiles, aircraft, propulsion systems, and defense electronics. Ukraine also has several renowned technical universities that served to support these industries, including Kyiv Polytechnic and Lv'iv Polytechnic. This intellectual installed base is serving to support the growth of Ukraine's defense industry in new directions, including production of drones and specialty ammunition.

Some highlights from the ISW Report:

 "Ukraine's domestic arms industry in 2024 now produces a higher volume of weapons than it did before Russia's full-scale invasion of Ukraine in 2022, despite Russian efforts to cripple Ukraine's Defense Industrial Base ("DIB")."

- "Ukraine resumed production of its home-grown Vilkha Multiple-Launch Rocket System (MLRS) missiles in 2022 or 2023. Vilkha-M rockets have a longer range (130 km) and heavier payload than the GMLRS rockets fired by US-supplied M142 HIMARS, which have a range of 77 km.[11] Ukrainian Forbes reported on March 10, 2023, that Ukrainian forces used Vilkha-M rockets to strike rear areas in occupied Ukraine, indicating that Ukrainian industry has resumed production of the missiles that had stopped after 2021.[12] Ukrainian Forbes noted that Ukraine is planning to produce a Vilhka rocket version with an increased range of up to 150 km." (NOTE: The prohibition on Ukraine hitting Russian territory only applies to weapons provided to Ukraine by the U.S.)
- "Ukrainian officials reported in December 2023 that Ukraine's production of armored personal carriers (APC) increased 3.4 times between 2022 and 2023 and that Ukraine's APC production increased five times between spring 2023 and December 2023. International aid has helped Ukraine resume the production of tank undercarriages, even though Ukraine can no longer produce complete tanks. Ukraine repairs damaged tanks in Ukraine, however, Ukrainian workers reportedly repaired over 3,000 armored vehicles in rear areas near the front in 2022."
- Only 35 Ukrainian companies manufactured drones in 2022. As of October 2023, Ukraine had over 200 companies (most of which are privately owned) producing various drones for the Ukrainian military. Over 50 Ukrainian state and private companies currently manufacture drone munitions weighting between 300g and 10kg, Ukraine manufactured 50,000 FPV drones in December 2023, and Ukrainian officials project that Ukraine's drone industry will manufacture one million FPV drones in 2024 (or about 83,000 FPV drones per month). (NOTE: Drones can effectively replace the need to use conventional artillery, helping Ukraine to offset shortages of artillery ammunition).

- "Ukrainian officials announced that Ukraine tested a kamikaze strike drone with a range of 1,000 km in January 2023. A Ukrainian official reported in November 2023 that this long-range drone entered production with international partners (likely based in Europe), and Ukrainian officials claim that Ukraine will produce 1,000 such drones by the end of 2024. Ukraine is also working to upgrade its Neptune cruise missiles to extend their range from 300 km. Ukrainian volunteers are developing an inexpensive "Trembita" surface-to-surface cruise missile with a range of 140km to mass produce to overwhelm Russian air defenses. (NOTE: The cruiser "Moskva" Flagship of the Russian Black Sea Fleet, was sunk by 3 Neptune missiles).
- "Ukraine is working to launch production of its own indigenous antiaircraft missile systems. Ukrainian officials reported in July 2023 that Ukraine is developing two new anti-aircraft missile systems (one possibly based on the design of Neptune missiles) and had already conducted missile test flights."
- "Ukraine has experience manufacturing electronic warfare systems (EW) dating back to 2014 and has been investing in further developing specialized EW systems since Russia's full-scale invasion.[38] Ukraine currently produces several specialized EW systems – though not at scale – some of which are reportedly better than Russian EW systems.[39] Ukraine is developing specialized EW systems to protect Ukrainian forces against Russian drones." (NOTE: Did Ukraine use domestically produced EW to divert the Russian missile attack on January 13th?)

The ISW Report also includes extensive sections on Ukraine's success in combatting corruption in its defense industry, and several efforts to establish bi-lateral and multi-lateral defense cooperation efforts with several European countries and the United States.

1/15/2024 Sitrep

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Sunday January 14

SITUATION UPDATE OF THE GENERAL STAFF OF UKRAINIAN ARMED FORCES JANUARY 14, 2024

During the day of January 14, there were 94x combat engagements. The enemy launched a total of 7x missile and 60x air strikes, 64x MLRS attacks at the positions of Ukrainian troops and various settlements.

Air strikes hit Vilkhuvatka, Vovchansk (Kharkiv oblast), Bilohorivka, Pishchane, Serebryanske forestry (Luhansk oblast), Kolodyazi, Vesele, Bohdanivka, Avdiivka, Novomykhailivka, and Volodymyrivka (Donetsk oblast).

More than 140x settlements in Chernihiv, Sumy, Kharkiv, Luhansk, Donetsk, Zaporizhzhia, Dnipropetrovsk, Kherson, and Mykolaiv oblasts came under artillery fire.

Khortytsia operational-strategic group, Kupyansk axis: Ukrainian defenders repelled 3x enemy attacks in the vicinities of Synkivka and Petropavlivka (Kharkiv oblast).

Lyman axis: the Ukrainian defenders repelled 14x enemy attacks near Makiivka, Bilohorivka (Luhansk oblast), and Verkhnokamyanske (Donetsk oblast).

Bakhmut axis: the Ukrainian defenders repelled 5x attacks of the occupiers near Klishchiivka and Andriivka (Donetsk oblast).

Tavria operational-strategic group, Avdiivka axis: the Ukrainian defenders continue to hold back the enemy who keeps trying to encircle Avdiivka. The Ukrainian Defense Forces repelled 11x enemy attacks in the vicinities of Novobakhmutivka, Stepove, Avdiivka, and 14x more attacks near Pervomaiske and Nevelske (Donetsk oblast) during the day of January 14. **Maryinka axis**: the Ukrainian Defense Forces continue to hold back the enemy near Krasnohorivka, Maryinka, and Novomykhailivka (Donetsk oblast). The Ukrainian defenders repelled 16x attacks in that area.

Zaporizhzhia axis: the Ukrainian defenders repelled 10x enemy attacks near Chervone, west of Verbove and Robotyne (Zaporizhzhia oblast).

Odesa operational-strategic group, Kherson axis: the Ukrainian Defense Forces continue to expand the bridgehead. During the day of January 14, the adversary made 7x unsuccessful attempts to assault the positions of the Ukrainian defenders.

russian soldiers are increasingly refusing to die for the ill-conceived goals of their leader, so the enemy command has decided to experiment with additional types of stimulations that distort the sense of reality and lead to death. For instance, according to available information, the personnel of the 108th Air Assault Regiment of the 7th Air Assault Division are systematically issued narcotic and psychotropic substances. These drugs lead to euphoria and dull pain. The soldiers who use them are more likely to agree to "meatgrinder" assaults with no fear of injury or death.

During the day of January 14, the Ukrainian Air Force launched air strikes on 4x concentrations of troops, weapons, and military equipment of the adversary. Also, the Ukrainian Air Defense forces and means destroyed 1x Kh-59 air-launched guided missile.

The Ukrainian missile troops hit 3x concentrations of troops, weapons, and military equipment, 1x air defense system, and 2x ammunition depots of the russian invaders.

INTERNATIONAL

8:08 AM: Sweden will increase production 155-mm ammunition for Ukraine, — management material software defense (FMV) Sweden.

8:08 AM: China opposes a visit by a US congressional delegation to Taiwan and any official contact by Washington with the island, the Chinese embassy in the United States said in a statement. 8:08 AM: Israel has announced Hamas plans to strike Europe.

8:08 AM: In Switzerland, more than 15,000 pro-Palestinian demonstrators held a national protest in support of the people of Gaza.

8:08 AM: The head of the Latvian-Russian Cooperation Association was expelled from Latvia.

12:02 PM: _"The security agreement with Great Britain is what gives us confidence now, while we defend ourselves against Russian aggression, and fixes our strong security position for the entire period until Ukraine joins NATO," — Volodymyr Zelenskyi.

12:44 PM: 1,100 trucks are queuing up at three blocked checkpoints on the border with Poland.

- Andriy Demchenko, the spokesman of the State Security Service of Ukraine, announced this.
- About 1,100 more trucks are waiting in front of the checkpoint "Medyka Sheghini".

2:20 PM: Estonia will not deport Ukrainian men of military age.

- This was stated by Prime Minister Kaya Kallas in an interview with The Kiev Independent.
- "_When they arrived here, the EU granted them temporary protection. Therefore, we will definitely not do anything to extradite them. It is Ukraine's task to address the people who are here and invite them back to help their Motherland_", Kallas said.

2:27 PM: On the territory of Romania, farmers again block the movement of trucks through the checkpoint "Siret", - DPSU.

- "_Registration of all types of vehicles, as well as pedestrians, for departure from Ukraine is carried out according to the established procedure_", the message says.
- Yesterday, a similar traffic blockade in Romania lasted for 6 hours.

2:46 PM: Donald Trump's victory in the US elections is a threat to the EU, says Christine Lagarde, head of the European Central Bank

- The next presidential election in the United States of America is scheduled for November 5, 2024. The potential victory of Donald Trump in the presidential elections in the United States of America poses an obvious threat to Europe.
- But, speaking about support for Ukraine, Lagarde emphasized that she does not think that Trump's re-election will leave Europe alone in its support for Ukraine.

3:01 PM: Ukraine does not rule out any help from partners regarding multipurpose aircraft, attack aircraft, helicopters, but F-16 deliveries are currently a priority.

- This was announced by the commander of the Air Force of the Ukrainian Armed Forces, Mykola Oleschuk.
- "_Today, the Air Force has four main types of combat aircraft in service, they will gradually be replaced by Western equipment_", Oleschuk said.

3:23 PM: The 4th meeting of national security advisors regarding the Ukrainian Peace Formula is being held in Davos (Switzerland), OP.

- It is a logical continuation of the third meeting in Malta, where the first five points of the Ukrainian Peace Formula were discussed. Among the participants are 81 countries and international organizations.
- At the current meeting, the following are discussed: withdrawal of Russian troops, restoration of justice, environmental security, prevention of escalation and recurrence of war, confirmation of the end of the war.

3:57 PM: After a series of earthquakes in Iceland, a new volcanic eruption has begun, RUV.

- The eruption began north of the fishing town of Grindavik around eight o'clock in the morning.
- This is the fifth eruption on the Reykjanes Peninsula since 2021.

6:24 PM: The scandal with the icon with Stalin in Tbilisi: the "Alt-Info" movement demands the arrest of the involved artist, "Georgian Dream" wants criminal responsibility for such actions

- On January 13, members of the "Alt-Info" movement held a rally near the Georgian Parliament building with the demand to increase the punishment for "desecration of shrines". After the protest, the leaders of the movement submitted a statement to the police with a demand to reclassify the administrative case of petty hooliganism.
- "Activists demanded an investigation of the incident under the criminal article on illegal interference with religious rites by means of violence, threats, or insulting the feelings of believers. This article provides up to a year of imprisonment," the message reads.

6:40 PM: China, which is not participating in the Davos forum, should be involved in Ukraine's peace talks with Russia.

- This was stated by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Switzerland, Ignazio Cassis, Reuters reports.
- "_Peace for the Ukrainian people is extremely necessary... We must do everything to end this war_," Kassis said.

7:19 PM: In Iceland, after a volcano erupted, lava reached the city, houses caught fire, — RUV.

- There are no residents in the town almost 4,000 residents were evacuated early.
- Civil defense chief Viðir Reynisson said lava was flowing into the city's water supply and electricity supply. It is currently unknown whether they were injured.

7:22 PM: The West is not giving Ukraine what it needs to defeat Putin, -American General Breedlove

- The Supreme Commander of NATO's Joint Forces in Europe in 2013-2016, American General Philip Breedlove criticized the amount and nature of Western military aid to Ukraine. Newsweek quotes his comment.
- "Maneuver war begins with superiority in the air," Breedlove emphasized.

4:46 PM: In Denmark, crowds of people turned out for the abdication ceremony of Queen Margrethe II and the appointment of a new king, — The Guardian.

- Margrethe II officially ended her 52-year reign and became Denmark's longest-reigning monarch.
- The signing of the abdication means that her 55-year-old son automatically became King Frederick X.

5:30 PM: Scholz unhappy with Macron's support for Ukraine and strikes on Yemen's Houthis - Telegraph

- The publication notes that the tension in relations between German Chancellor Olaf Scholz and French President Emmanuel Macron threatens to derail the EU's actions aimed at overcoming the threat from the Houthis in the Red Sea.
- In general, relations between the leaders are strained over such issues as energy subsidies, the import of Chinese electric cars, and defense policy and Ukraine.

6:02 PM: Ukraine has started negotiations with Romania on an agreement on security guarantees, — Office of the President.

 "_Romania became the 9th country that started bilateral security negotiations with Ukraine, and once again confirmed its unwavering support for the independence and territorial integrity of our state, as well as its European and Euro-Atlantic path_", the message reads.

7:55 PM: China has called on the US to stop official engagement with Taiwan, the Chinese Foreign Ministry said.

7:55 PM: Five migrants die trying to cross the English Channel to Britain, France24.

7:55 PM: At least 22 dead as illegal gold mine collapses in Tanzania - Reuters

7:55 PM: Maldives President Mohamed Mooitsu has urged the Indian government to withdraw its troops from the islands by March 15, The Telegraph.

8:29 PM: The U.S. wanted to announce the framework of a deal on aid to Ukraine and illegal border crossings this week, but pulled back as difficult negotiations continue, WSJ.

- Negotiations are focused on measures that can reduce the number of migrants on the country's southern border, but a full-fledged solution has not yet been found.
- At the same time, US President Biden, speaking to journalists on Saturday, said that he is "ready to make significant changes" in border policy.

NATIONAL

2:31 AM: Activity hostile tactical aviation on in the east, - Air Forces Armed Forces.

• There is a threat of using aviation means of destruction for the frontline regions.

6:31 AM: The threat of the use of missiles with a ballistic flight trajectory from different directions at once, - Defense Forces of the South.

8:08 AM: Ukraine will help Britain in the event of a military threat from the Russian Federation. This is stipulated in the agreement on security guarantees, Shmyhal.

8:33 AM: Currently, there are 11 Russian ships in the Black Sea, including 1 "Calibre" cruise missile carrier, a total salvo of up to 8 missiles, — the Navy of Ukraine. 1 ship in the Sea of Azov; in the Mediterranean Sea, 2 ships, including 1 "Caliber" cruise missile carrier, a total salvo of up to 8 missiles.



8:15 AM: The smallest owl in Ukraine was spotted in the Chernobyl reserve

• The rare sparrow owl is the smallest owl of the fauna of Ukraine. The length of his body is 15-17 cm with feathers, and the weight is completely ridiculous - 50-77 grams.

9:25 AM: The head of the Ministry of Digital Mykhailo Fedorov calls on Ukrainians to take courses and create FPV drones at home.

• As part of the "People's Drone" project, a training course starts every two weeks, where

everyone can get free access to lectures and learn about the list of components and materials needed for assembly. Ukrainians will also be able to ask questions to the instructors.

• After assembly, the drone is sent for inspection, and if everything fits, it is sent to the military. Course participants have already delivered more than 100 drones, 80% of which had high performance and passed inspection.

9:42 AM: Commander-in-Chief Valery Zaluzhny together with Chief of the General Staff Serhiy Shaptala worked for several days in the "Tavria" and "Odesa" areas of responsibility.

- Steps were agreed to increase the effectiveness of the use of troops, taking into account the available resources and the operational situation.
- The issue of the situation in the waters of the Black Sea was also worked out.

1:15 PM: Battalion Commander of the 5th Separate Assault Brigade Oleksiy Tarasenko said on Espresso that there is a critical need for young soldiers, while bureaucratic delays and sabotage attempts are holding back the mobilization process

- "For us, the amount of time that appears to be necessary for the discussion of draft laws for dozens of amendments to the law seems very strange to the point that someone even doubts whether we need mobilization.
- That is, from the front line, it looks very unpleasant, very wild and incomprehensible. Of course, the troops are waiting for fresh replenishment very much, because in many directions in many units the situation is quite critical and with the personnel and the quality of the personnel that even comes, leaves much to be desired. "They are mostly very old men with a lot of problems that usually arise," the soldier explains.

4:54 PM: An air alert has been issued in several areas.

• Head to the nearest shelter immediately.

5:00 PM: Help camouflage our defenders with the Cave Cats!

- Pechersk kotiki is a volunteer community that actively helps the Armed Forces with "kikimor" suits that withstand even a thermal imager, as well as nets of various techniques.
- Starting this Tuesday, January 16, Ukrainians are invited to master classes on weaving camouflage nets, which will be held every day according to the schedule.
- The address and instructions on how to get to the location are on the link. (https://bit.ly/47CV1Lk) At the entrance to the office, indicate that you like the Pechersk cats!

8:48 PM: Summary of the General Staff as of 18:00 on January 14:

• _86 combat clashes_ took place during the day. In total, the enemy launched 3 missile and 60 air strikes, carried out 45 anti-aircraft fire.

- During the day, the aviation of the Defense Forces struck _4 areas of concentration of personnel_, weapons and military equipment of the enemy.
- Air defense forces and means destroyed _one Kh-59 guided air missile._
- Units of missile troops damaged _3 areas of concentration of personnel_, weapons and military equipment, _1 means of anti-aircraft defense and 2 warehouses of enemy ammunition._

9:04 PM: Volodymyr Zelenskyi spoke about new support packages and agreements in his evening address.

• __"There will be more drones. We are preparing another good news regarding air defense. We remember about missiles, about EW - means of radio-electronic warfare - there will be more. And month by month we are always increasing our Ukrainian artillery production," the president said.

9:33 PM: Volodymyr Zelenskyi will begin a visit to Switzerland on January 15

• During the visit, the President will meet with the heads of both houses of the parliament, party leaders and the President of Switzerland, take part in the World Economic Forum and hold a number of bilateral meetings, the Office of the President reported.

9:44 PM: There will be more drones: Zelensky announced new aid packages for Ukraine

- According to him, today, January 14, Ukraine started negotiations with Romania on security guarantees. This is the 9th state with which such bilateral work is conducted.
- "In general, the first two weeks of this year have already added strength and opportunities to Ukraine. There are new support packages for our soldiers. There are much-needed agreements on the joint production of weapons and ammunition, a particularly sensitive issue drones. There will be more drones," the president said.

10:02 PM: Ukraine does not need frozen conflicts; we need a just peace -Yermak

- The Ukrainian authorities will not agree to freezing the conflict and will keep the course for the further liberation of the occupied territories of Ukraine. This was stated by the head of the Office of the Ukrainian President, Andriy Yermak, during a meeting on the Ukrainian peace formula in Davos.
- "This president and this team of his will never agree or accept any freezing of the conflict. This is unacceptable to Ukrainian society... Ukraine does not need frozen conflicts. Ukraine needs a just peace. And Ukraine wants to prevent any potential aggressions in the future and uses this opportunity "Yermak said.

10:05 PM: Local communities can purchase EW from civilian manufacturers to counter missiles and drones, a spokesman for the Armed Forces of the Russian Federation said.

• __"Today, active work is being carried out in this direction. And this is what local communities can purchase, attract resources. You can't buy weapons - you can't buy small arms, guns, and air defense systems, but EW systems, in particular civilian manufacturers, if they are working, their it is necessary to check - it helps to save lives. Drones also work as EW and can affect the enemy's means of air attack. The missile can be deflected and not reach its target," said Yuriy Ignat.

10:40 PM: Rada channel signed a contract for UAH 104.9 million with Kinokit LLC for the production of telethon programs.

• This is evidenced by the data on the ProZorro website.

11:03 PM: The Armed Forces shot down two Russian planes over the Sea of Azov, Deputy of the VRU Committee on National Security Mysyagin reported.

• The A-50 was shot down, and the IL-22m was shot down, but it was in the air and tried to reach the nearest airfield, but disappeared from the radar, after the descent, in the Kerch area.

11:20 PM: Attack on Sumy, Chernihiv, and Kyiv regions: NSU reserve major Hetman on possible plans of the Russian Federation

- Veteran of the Russian-Ukrainian war, reserve major of NSU, Oleksiy Hetman, told whether the Russians are able to gather forces for a second offensive from the north of Ukraine. According to him, as of today there are no signs that would indicate such possibilities of the occupiers. But such a scenario can be assumed, the Russians have logistical capabilities.
- "It is quite likely that the Russians will try to attack Sumy, Chernihiv and even Kyiv regions from Belarus," he said.

11:41 PM: Umerov suggested creating an international group to withdraw Russian troops from Ukraine

- The Minister of Defense of Ukraine, Rustem Umyerov, suggested creating an International Working Group to jointly work out a mechanism for the withdrawal of Russian troops from Ukraine. He wrote about it on Facebook.
- "My colleagues and I are holding the fourth meeting of national security advisors regarding the Peace Formula in Switzerland. I presented the 6th point of the Peace Formula: "Withdrawal of Russian troops from the territory of Ukraine," the message reads.

11:51 PM: Ukraine shot down two Russian planes over the Sea of Azov, People's Deputy Mysiagin

 The deputy of the VRU Committee on National Security, Defense and Intelligence Yuriy Mysyagin and sources in the Defense Forces announced the downing of two Russian planes over the Sea of Azov. This was stated by Yuriy Mysyagin and "RBK-Ukraine" with reference to their own sources in the Defense Forces. • It is noted that around 21:00 Ukrainian forces hit two Russian aircraft, namely the A-50 DRLO reconnaissance aircraft and the II-22 bomber, which were over the waters of the Sea of Azov.

MORDOR – ruZZia

9:00 AM: Russians shoot down their own drones in the Kherson region, mistaking them for Ukrainian ones — ISW

- The activity of Ukrainian UAVs is so widespread on the left bank of the Kherson region that the Russian Dnipro military group has begun to notify personnel about when Russian drones will operate in their area.
- Currently, the Armed Forces hold positions on the left bank of the Dnieper in the Kherson region. No confirmed changes on the front line have been recorded in this area.

10:31 AM: Russia has lost 90% of the tanks it had at the start of the full-scale invasion of Ukraine, — Forbes

- According to the media, Russia had 2,987 tanks when it attacked Ukraine. At least 2,916 of these machines have already been disabled. In particular:
 - 1,735 tanks were destroyed;
 - 205 abandoned;
 - 544 captured.
- At the same time, according to analysts, Russia was able to build or repair only 780 tanks in two years. Therefore, the Russian tank army was reduced to 1180 units of equipment.

11:06 AM: The quality of Russian missiles are getting worse, Air Force spokesman Yuriy Ignat said.

• _ "Perhaps sanctions are having an effect. They already have a worse quality. The information is not 100%, but there are certain aspects that point to it," added Yuriy Ignat.

• And he also separately noted the effective work of the electronic defense system, which allowed to increase the number of missiles that did not reach the targets.

1:59 PM: Russian medicine suffers due to Russian invasion of Ukraine, British intelligence.

- There is a shortage of medicines, in particular, broad-spectrum antibiotics.
- _"The war is likely to have a significant impact on this situation, as hospitals treat the wounded. The government is also forced to reduce the number of civilian medical facilities across the country due to staff shortages and financial pressures," the intelligence report said.

5:30 PM: On January 6, 2024, Alexander Chernobreve (sp?) the deputy commander of the 43rd aviation regiment, was eliminated because of the attack by the Air Force of the Armed Forces of Ukraine on the Saki military airfield.

- The relevant information was published on the "Peacemaker" website.
- "_Although he was born in Crimea, after graduating in 2007, he received Russian citizenship. After that, he was sent to the Black Sea Fleet_," the website says.

7:40 PM: Profits from hatred of Ukrainians: InformNapalm released personal data of Moscow propagandist Serhiy Mardan

• The Ukrainian OSINT project InformNapalm published data on Russian propagandist Serhiy Mardan and his family members. Mardan is known for his constant calls for the extermination of Ukrainians.

9:05 PM: Nadezhdin, the only anti-war candidate for the presidency of the Russian Federation, does not have time to gather the necessary supplies.

• Boris Nadezhdin, who wants to take part in the 2024 Russian presidential elections and is the only candidate for this position to publicly speak out against waging war with Ukraine, may not have time

to collect the necessary number of signatures for his registration with the Central Election Commission.

- This is evidenced by his statement made on Sunday, January 14, 2024.
- "We have collected almost 9,000 verified signatures. I thank everyone who left a signature for my nomination.
- But this is not enough. This is not enough! There are less than two weeks left to collect another 91,046 signatures (for registration as a presidential candidate ed.) throughout Russia," Nadezhdin noted.

REGIONS

11:16 AM: 2.2% of Kyiv residents may be left without electricity due to debt — Yasno

- Currently, 28,000 debtors in the capital are subject to disconnection they owe UAH 206 million. The company emphasized that if it is impossible to pay the debt, it can be restructured. It is also possible to apply for subsidies.
- The situation is a little worse in Dnipropetrovsk Oblast. There, 46,000 consumers turned out to be debtors, whose total debt is UAH 417.5 million.

3:38 PM: The Russians attacked grain hangars in Vovchansk with two guided aerial bombs.

- Serhii Bolvinov, head of the investigative department of the Kharkiv region police, reports this.
- The granary and the grain processing building were destroyed. There were no casualties.

6:03 PM: The enemy is holding about 40,000 occupiers near Avdiivka

• About 40,000 Russian servicemen are concentrated in the Avdiivka area. The occupiers are hiding in the trenches, and they are trying to keep the equipment away from the front lines. This was announced by

the spokesman of the United Press Center of the Defense Forces of the Tavrya Region, Colonel Oleksandr Shtupun.

4:27 PM: In the Zaporozhye direction, border guards repelled a dozen enemy drones, capturing one of them, the DPSU.

• "_The drone became entangled in power lines, and the deadly cargo landed without detonation_," the border guards note.

7:28 PM: An explosion rang out in temporarily occupied Melitopol, the mayor of the city, Ivan Fedorov, said.

12:24 PM: In Dnipro, the memory of the victims of the Russian missile attack, which took the lives of 46 people on January 14, 2023, was commemorated.

• The video was published by the head of Dnipropetrovsk RMA Serhiy Lysak.

5:15 PM: Kryvyi Rih - in shelter, — PS ZSU.

5:37 PM: Air defense forces shot down an enemy missile in the Kryvorizka district, — RMA.

10:45 AM: The occupiers have concentrated 10,000 troops near Krynyk, Kherson region: they are trying to knock out the Armed Forces

• "Our combat work to consolidate and expand the bridgehead continues there, and the enemy is trying to knock out our units. In fact, there is no longer a single surviving house, the artillery of one side and the other are working. In addition, the enemy bombarded this region very powerfully," said the spokeswoman of the Defense Forces Nataliya Humenyuk of southern Ukraine

11:42 AM: the Russians attacked the local fire department in Stanislav with a kamikaze drone, Oleksandr Prokudin, head of the Kherson RMA, reported.

• Four firefighters were injured. They were diagnosed with contusions, explosive and brain injuries.

1:47 PM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in Kherson.

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11:54 PM: A new Ukrainian record was set in the Lviv region. In Strilkivska hromada, 1259 participants performed the Christmas carol "There in Bakhmut".

- The result was recorded by the "Book of World Records of Ukraine" organization.
- During the event, it was possible to collect more than 3 million hryvnias for the purchase of special equipment for the military.

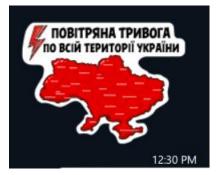
VISUAL CHRONOLOGY OF REGIONAL ROCKET, DRONE, ARTILLERY, MORTAR AND BOMB ALARMS





6:30 AM

All of Ukraine





4:50 PM

Comparing Soviet invasion of Afghanistan to Russian invasion of Ukraine using Wikipedia and Ukraine Ministry of Defense Daily Bulletins. Soviet and Russian military losses not including captured equipment.

	Sovie t Afgha nista n	Jan 10	Jan 11	Jan 12	Jan 13	Jan 14
Duration	9 years and 9 mont hs	After 676 days	After 677 days	After 678 days	After 679 days	After 680 days
Military Personnel Liquidated	14,45 3	367,62 0	368,46 0	369,16 0	370,00 0	370,98 0

Material

Losses

Tanks	147	6050	6060	6065	6075	6089
Armored Personnel Carriers	1,314	11,238	11,254	11,269	11,302	11,322
Artillery, Mortars, and Ballistic Rocket launchers	433	9656	9667	9685	9704	9,729
Cruise Missiles		1806	1806	1806	1814	1,815

Fighters Bombers	118	329	329	329	329	329
Helicopters	333	324	324	324	324	324
Drones		6834	6836	6848	6861	6865
Anti Aircraft Missile Batteries		642	642	646	648	650
Cargo/Fuel/ other transport	11,36 9	11,596	11,612	11,632	11,667	11,698
Naval Vessels		23+(1 submar ine)	23+(1 submar ine)	23+(1 submar ine)	23+(1 submar ine)	23+(1 submar ine)
1337		1337	1339	1345	1353	1356

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