

# News From Ukraine

**Russian Invasion of Ukraine**  
**12:00 noon October 28 to**  
**12:00 noon October 30, 2023**

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## The Ukraine War Ebook, “The Ukrainian People vs. The Russian Horde”

**The Ukraine War Ebook, sent to those who were kind enough to support us, includes all our emails that we sent during the first week of the war. The Ebook has been very well received. Since early July, when the Ebook was released, we have added many new email recipients. For new recipients, plus existing recipients who would like to receive the Ebook, we would be happy to send you a copy in return for your support for our efforts. If you would like to support us in any amount in any currency, and receive an Ebook as our gesture of gratitude, please click on the link [HERE](#). Your support is greatly appreciated!**

## The Euromaidan Verdicts

Kyiv's Svyatoshynsky District Court on Oct. 18 issued a [verdict](#) in the trial of 5 former members of Ukraine's Interior Ministry Police, called the Berkut. They were accused of murdering Euromaidan protestors on February 20, 2014, when approximately 100 protestors were murdered. They are now known as the “Heavenly 100.”

We were in Kyiv during the entire course of Euromaidan. Members of my immediate and extended family participated, in ways that could have cost them their lives or their freedom had things turned out differently. I sent the first of these emails on November 30, 2013, the night the Berkut attacked and beat up approximately 400 students who were holding a vigil on Independence Square, known as the Maidan.

Three of the defendants were convicted in absentia, including 1 who received a life sentence and the other a sentence of 15 years. 2 were present at the verdicts. 1 was convicted and sentenced to 5 years, equal to the time he already served in pre-trial detention, and the 5<sup>th</sup> was acquitted.

Euromaidan, now known as the “Revolution of Dignity,” led directly to Russian occupation and illegal annexation of Crimea the occupation of a portion of Donbas, both in 2014, and Russia's latest invasion of Ukraine that began on February 24<sup>th</sup> of last year. It is impossible to understand what is going on in Ukraine today, without understanding what happened almost 10 years ago, during Euromaidan.

The trial proceedings, along with the verdicts, illustrate how far Ukraine has come in strengthening the Rule of Law, and how far Ukraine has to go, especially considering the huge task of processing the thousands of war crimes that has taken place on Ukrainian territory since the start of Russia's latest invasion. This [discussion](#), between 2 reporters

from the Kyiv “Independent,” provides excellent context and information about the trial and the verdict.

The trial began in 2015, at a time when all 5 defendants were in detention and present. During the proceedings, the prosecution provided forensic evidence that the 5 defendants either fired the shots that killed individual protestors, or issued direct orders. This excellent article that appeared in the May 30, 2018 Edition of the New York Times Magazine, along with an embedded video, describes the evidence and how it was obtained. In other words, there is almost no question on who fired the fatal shots, and who issued the order.

In December 2019, after 4+ years of on and off proceedings, all 5 defendants were released as part of a prisoner swap, and they all went to Russia. This [article](#), from the Atlantic Council entitled “Prisoner Exchange Lifts the Veil on Russia’s Hybrid War in Ukraine,” describes the circumstances that led to Ukraine’s decision to include the 5 defendants in the swap.

Before the recent verdict, 2 of the defendants that had been swapped returned to Ukraine voluntarily, to exonerate themselves. The reporters from the Kyiv Independent believe that a deal was reached between the prosecution and the defendants, before their return to Ukraine, that ended up with one being acquitted and the other sentenced to time served.

In September 2015 I met with Pavlo Dykan, who represented the families of the Heavenly 100. Dykan was mentioned in the attached articles. The purpose of the meeting was to explore ways to use funds that belonged to former President Yanukovich and members of his government that had been frozen in various European jurisdictions. However Viktor Shokin, the Prosecutor General at the time, declined to release proof that the frozen funds had been in fact stolen, resulting in the lifting of the freeze orders. The families have received compensation from the Government, but a much smaller amount.

During the discussion with 2 Kyiv Independent Reporters, they mentioned [Oleh Tatarov](#), former Deputy Minister of Interior under former President Yanukovich and now Deputy Head of the Presidential Administration under Pres. Zelenskyy. The Kyiv Independent reporters stated that although there is now indication that Tatarov was involved in ordering the shootings of the protestors on Feb. 20. 2014 there is a Lustration Law, preventing members of Yanukovich’s Government from holding office in the future. According to the Kyiv Independent reporters, the response from the Presidential Administration has been that the Presidential Administration is not an official organ of the government, thus the Lustration Law doesn’t apply to Tatarov’s appointment.

Ukraine has indeed come a long way in establishing the Rule of Law, but the trial of the 5 Euromaidan defendants, the verdicts, and Tatarov’s current position, shows that Ukraine has a long way to go.

### News From the Battlefield

The “Latest Denys” believes that the size of the Russian attacks near Avdiivka has been reduced. Generally, I’m assuming that the information that Denys is getting is at least 2 days old. The updates are useful to establish general trends and from the quality of his maps. Today he includes a topographic map of the area around Avdiivka, showing flat ground punctuated by tree lines. This would seem to give the advantage to Ukraine, the defenders. Personally, I believe that there is more going on along the Dnipro and around Robotyne, than is being reported by Denys. Ukraine has been very reticent about the

information they're providing to reporters and bloggers like Denys.

In the last 24 hours, the Ukrainian Defense Ministry reports that that 860 Russian soldiers have either been killed or permanently disabled. The total for the entire war is now close to 300,000.

### 10/29 & 30/2023 Sitrep

Abbreviations:

RMA = Regional Military Administration SBU = Security Service of Ukraine

RASHISTS = russian Facists/all russian invaders

### **INTERNATIONAL**

#### **Monday, October 30**

8:02 AM: Israel demands that all international media personnel immediately leave the northern part of the Gaza Strip in connection with the expansion of the scale of the military operation - ISNA agency.

#### **Sunday, October 29**

8:01 AM: Israel has decided to abandon Starlink after Musk's claims about the network's operation in the Gaza Strip.

9:47 AM: Czech Defense Minister Jana Chornohova believes the country should withdraw from the UN over a General Assembly resolution calling for a "truce" between Israel and Hamas.

- "Exactly three weeks ago, Hamas killed more than 1,400 Israelis - more victims for their population than the militants of the Islamist organization "Al-Qaeda" killed in the United States on September 11. And only 14 countries, including ours, spoke clearly and clearly against this unprecedented terrorist attack, carried out by Hamas terrorists!" wrote Chornokhova.

11:00 AM: US fighter jets intercept plane near Biden's home, Politico.

- The civilian plane entered the closed airspace after 2:00 p.m., said Anthony Guglielmi, director of communications for the US Secret Service. In the end, the plane landed safely at the nearest airport.

1:59 PM: Israel has crossed "red lines," Iranian President Ebrahim Raisi said. According to him, this "can force everyone to take action."

1:59 PM: Serbia has deployed hundreds of police near its border with Hungary after a shootout between migrants left three dead, AP.

1:59 PM: Israel has suspended plans for a large-scale ground operation in Gaza and replaced them with several limited ones in agreement with the United States, The New York Times reports, citing American officials.

3:09 PM: Norway will give Ukraine modern equipment for hospitals and help with the treatment of Ukrainian soldiers.

- This was reported by the head of the Ministry of Internal Affairs, Ihor Klymenko.
- Klymenko added that new agreements have appeared in the field of protection of Ukrainian energy infrastructure and humanitarian demining.

3:28 PM: The Latvian Internal Affairs Service will hand over 12 drones to the Ukrainian police, — Delfi.

- Earlier, the Minister of Internal Affairs Richards Kozlovskis met with the head of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine Ihor Klymenko in Lithuania.

4:53 PM: Canada proposes to create an international coalition of countries that will promote, in particular, the return of Ukrainian children from the Russian Federation, OP Ukraine.

- This initiative is an element of the implementation plan of the Peace Formula in terms of the return of deported children, the release of civilian hostages and prisoners of war.

8:48 PM: Greece may set up maritime humanitarian corridor for Gaza, Protothema.

8:48 PM: IDF says it killed Hamas militants in tunnel near border crossing, BBC.

8:48 PM: Israel's ground operation in the Gaza Strip could take six weeks to six months, Bloomberg.

8:48 PM: A NATO C-17 Globemaster aircraft has arrived in Moldova to participate in exercises, — Newsmaker.

8:48 PM: Israel partially restores water supply to the Gaza Strip, - The Times of Israel.

### Saturday, October 28

1:50 PM: The UN Children's Agency (UNICEF) has completely lost contact with all its staff in Gaza, — Farnaz Fassihi

1:50 PM: 28 people are known to have died in Kazakhstan due to a methane explosion at a mine. Another 18 miners remain under the rubble, the administration of the Karaganda region.

2:25 PM: Minister of Internal Affairs of Ukraine Ihor Klymenko met with the head of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Finland Mari Rantanen in Vilnius.

- At the meeting, Rantanen informed that new aid packages are already being formed.

3:41 PM: Military aid to Ukraine has boosted US defense companies' revenues, — Reuters.

- US defense contractors Lockheed Martin, General Dynamics and others expect orders for hundreds of thousands of artillery shells, hundreds of Patriot interceptors and orders for armored vehicles to boost their results in the coming quarters, it said.

4:54 PM: In Istanbul, people turned out for a large-scale rally in support of Palestine, according to local media.

- Erdogan arrived by helicopter to participate in the demonstration.

4:55 PM: Turkey's president walks out on a protest wearing a Palestinian flag scarf.

6:35 PM: Volodymyr Zelenskyy addressed the participants of the meeting on the Ukrainian peace formula at the level of advisers and special representatives.

- 66 countries of the world participated. In total, almost 70 world subjects have already joined the processes regarding the Peace Formula, the President of Ukraine said.

9:02 PM: Armenia is taking part in the Ukrainian Formula World Summit for the first time. The Secretary of the Security Council, Armen Hryhoryan, has arrived in Malta, the Armenian service of "Radio Liberty" reports.

9:02 PM: The US will release a new nuclear gravity bomb, the Pentagon.

9:02 PM: The Israeli Foreign Ministry has announced the need for all its diplomatic missions in Turkey to leave the country and return to their homeland, amid statements by Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan in support of Palestine.

9:02 PM: A shell hit the headquarters of a UN peacekeeping mission in southern Lebanon, a spokesman said. There are no casualties, reports Al Arabiya.

9:18 PM: Netanyahu confirmed the start of a ground operation in the Gaza Strip.

- At a briefing in Tel Aviv, the Prime Minister of Israel announced that the second stage of the war had begun.
- He said that Israeli forces entered the Gaza Strip last night with the aim of destroying Hamas and freeing all the hostages.

9:53 PM: Sonobot 5 surface drones arrived in Ukraine from Germany.

- This was reported by the German deidua project, which monitors aid from Germany.
- They help survey bodies of water and detect ammunition and other dangerous objects on the bottom.

10:17 PM: Ukraine and the US have created "hybrid" air defense systems, - The NYT

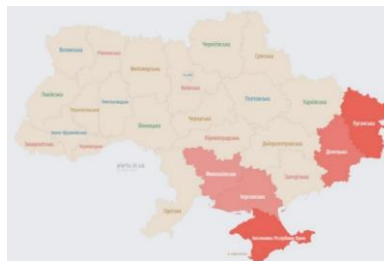
- The "FrankenSAM" program allows you to launch modern anti-aircraft missiles from modernized Soviet launchers.
- One variant combines Buk launchers and Sea Sparrow missiles, the other - Soviet radars and SideWinder missiles. They have been tested at military bases in the USA and will enter service with the Armed Forces of Ukraine this fall.

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

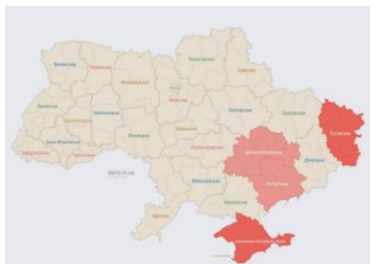
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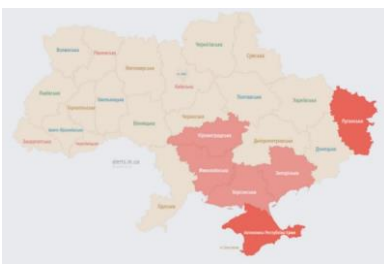
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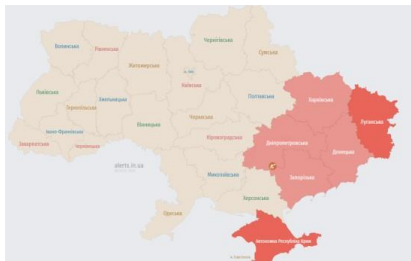
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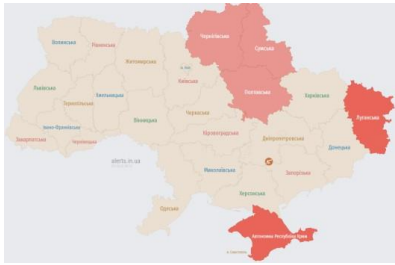


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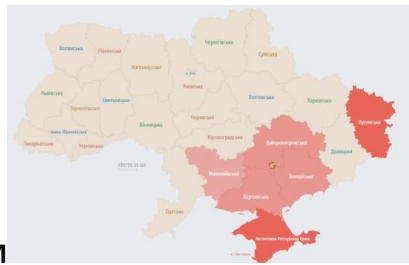


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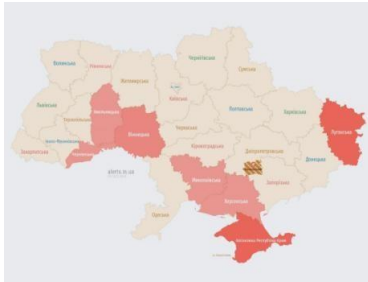
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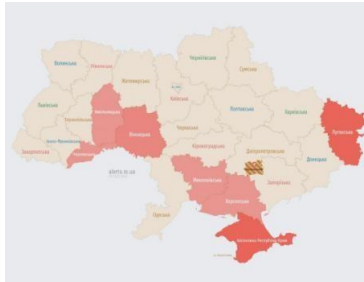
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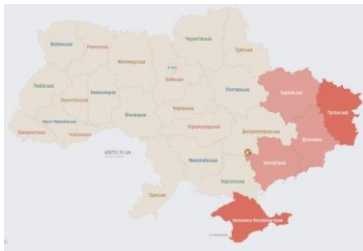
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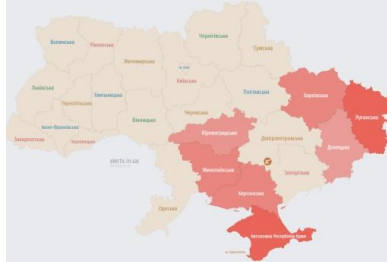
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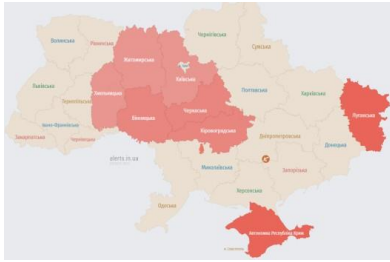
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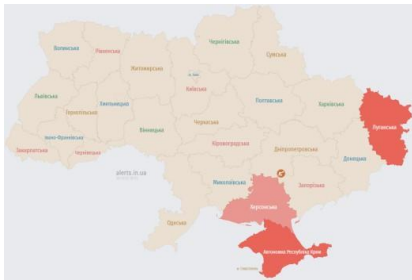


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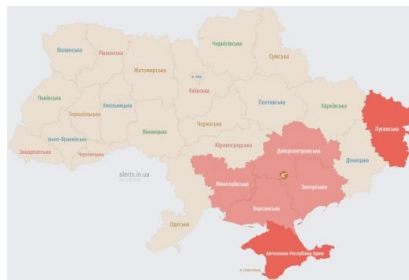


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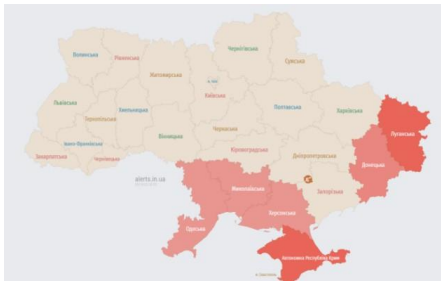
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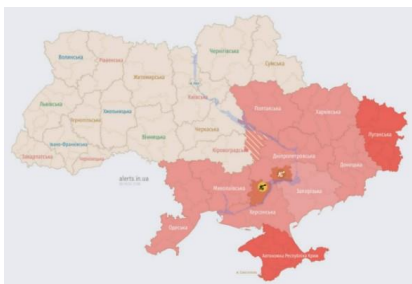
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## NATIONAL

### Monday, October 30

7:43 AM: Summary of the General Staff as of 06:00 on October 30:

- During the day of October 15, there were around 60x combat engagements. The enemy launched a total of 1x missile and 88x air strikes, 70x MLRS attacks at the positions of Ukrainian troops and various settlements. Unfortunately, the Russian terrorist attacks have killed and wounded civilians. Private residential buildings and other civilian infrastructure were destroyed or damaged.
- Also, last night, Russian occupants launched yet another strike on Ukraine, using 12x Shahed-136/131 attack UAVs. The Ukrainian Air Defense destroyed all 12x of the enemy drones.
- Air strikes hit Synkivka, Petropavlivka, Novoosynove, Pishchane (Kharkiv oblast), Bilohorivka (Luhansk oblast), Serebryanske forestry, Bilohorivka (Luhansk oblast); Novoselivka, Verkhokamyanske, Klishchiivka, Bila Hora, Kurdyumivka, Novobakhmutivka, Avdiivka, Maryinka, Novomykhailivka, Zolota Nyva, Staromaiorske (Donetsk oblast), Mala Tokmachka, Robotyne, Novodanylivka (Zaporizhzhia oblast), Vesele, Odradokamyanka, Tyahynka, Ivanivka (Kherson oblast).

- More than 10x settlements in Chernihiv, Sumy, Kharkiv, Luhansk, Donetsk, Zaporizhzhia, and Kherson oblasts came under artillery fire.
- **Khortytsia operational-strategic group** (map further down)
  - Kupyansk axis: the enemy conducted unsuccessful assault operations in the vicinities of settlements of Synkivka and Ivanivka (Kharkiv oblast), where Ukrainian defenders repelled 7x attacks of the adversary.
  - Lyman axis: the Ukrainian defenders repelled an enemy attack southeast of Terny (Donetsk oblast)
  - Bakhmut axis: the enemy made unsuccessful attempts to regain the lost ground near Andriivka. The Ukrainian Defense Forces continue assault operations south of Bakhmut (Donetsk oblast), inflict losses in manpower and equipment on the enemy, and consolidate their new positions.
- **Tavria operational-strategic group**
  - Avdiivka axis: the enemy keeps trying to encircle Avdiivka, but the Ukrainian soldiers are standing their ground, inflicting major losses on the occupiers. The enemy's offensive actions were unsuccessful in the vicinities of Novokalynove, Avdiivka, Opytne, Pervomaiske (Donetsk oblast), where the Ukrainian Defense Forces repelled more than 10x enemy attacks.
  - Maryinka axis: the invaders conducted unsuccessful assault operations in the vicinities of Maryinka and Novomykhailivka (Donetsk oblast). The Ukrainian soldiers repelled more than 20x enemy attacks in that area.
  - Shakhtarske axis: the Ukrainian defenders repelled the adversary attack south of Vuhledar (Donetsk oblast).
  - Zaporizhzhia axis: enemy made 5x attempts to regain the lost ground near Robotyne (Zaporizhzhia oblast), to no success.
- During the day of October 29, the Ukrainian Air Force launched 16x air strikes on the concentrations of troops, weapons, and military equipment of the adversary.
- The Ukrainian missile troops hit 6x concentration of troops, weapons, and military equipment, 1x command post, 3x air defense systems as well as 6x artillery systems of the Russian invaders.

8:20 AM: At night, the Russians attacked with 12 attack UAVs of the "Shahed" type and two Kh-59 guided-aircraft missiles, the Air Force of the ZSU.

- All 14 enemy air targets were destroyed by air defense, in particular within Mykolaiv, Kherson, Kirovohrad, Cherkasy, Zhytomyr, Khmelnytskyi and Dnipropetrovsk regions.

9:22 AM: In the water area of the Black and Azov Seas, six ships, which the Russian troops put on combat duty, the Navy of the Armed Forces of Ukraine, were recorded.

- The Russian Navy's missile carrier in the Black Sea is currently not equipped with Caliber.

10:29 AM: In Ukraine, they want to launch smart mobilization of drone operators, the head of the Ministry of Digital Affairs, Mykhailo Fedorov, announced.

- The pilot project is planned to be launched "in a month or two". A person will be able to choose a specialty himself.
- "And the most important thing is that if you submit an application and pass recruiters and tests, you will undergo training and you will definitely get the position for which you mobilized yourself", the minister noted.

### Sunday, October 29

3:50 AM Institute for the Study of War:

- Remnants of the Wagner Group appear to be fighting in the Avdiivka direction subordinate



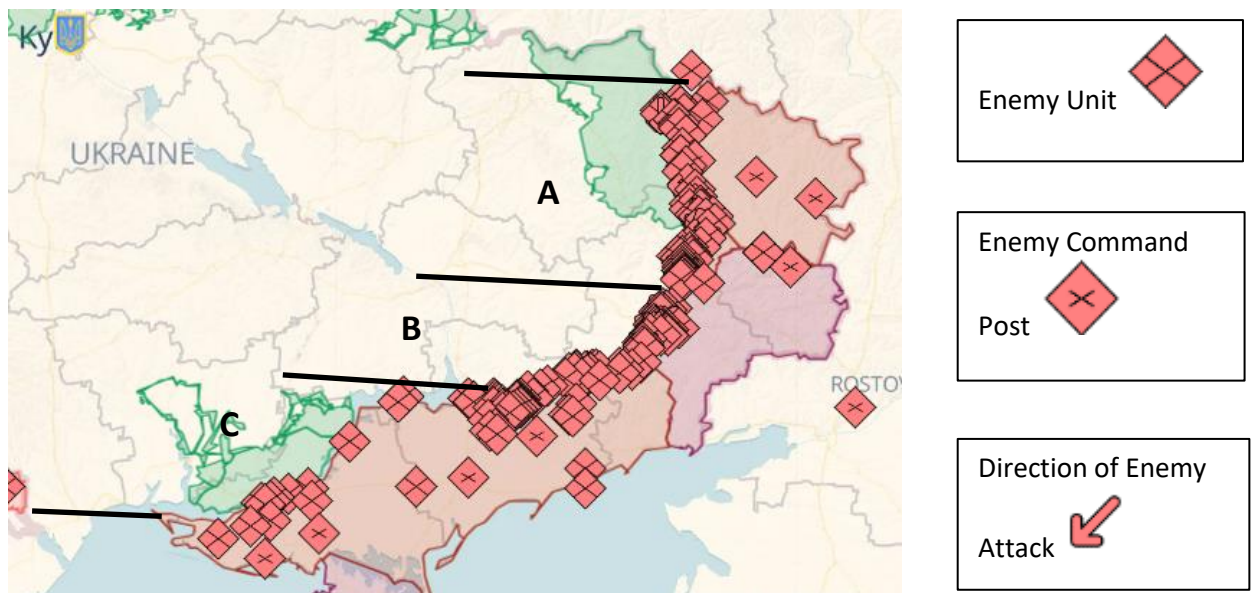
to Russian Ministry of Defense (MoD) controlled formations.

- Commander of the “Akhmat” Spetsnaz forces Apty Alaudinov confirmed that Rosgvardia is recruiting former Wagner fighters into Chechen “Akhmat” Spetsnaz units.
- Russian authorities are capitalizing on domestic ethnic tensions by increasing public coercion of Central Asian migrants into Russian military service, likely to appeal to Russian ultranationalists ahead of Russian President Vladimir Putin’s expected presidential campaign announcement.

7:18 AM: Summary of the General Staff as of 06:00 on October 29:

- During the day of October 28, there were around 70x combat engagements. The enemy launched a total of 7x missile and 24x air strikes, 30x MLRS attacks at the positions of Ukrainian troops and various settlements. Also last night, Russian occupants launched yet another strike on Ukraine, using 5x Shahed-136/131 attack UAVs. The Ukrainian Air Defense destroyed all of the enemy drones.
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- During the day of October 28, the Ukrainian Air Force launched 5x air strikes on the concentrations of troops, weapons, and military equipment of the adversary. Also, the Ukrainian air defense forces destroyed 3x Iskander-K ground-launched cruise missiles.
- The Ukrainian missile troops hit 1x concentration of troops, weapons, and military equipment, as well as 1x artillery system of the Russian invaders.

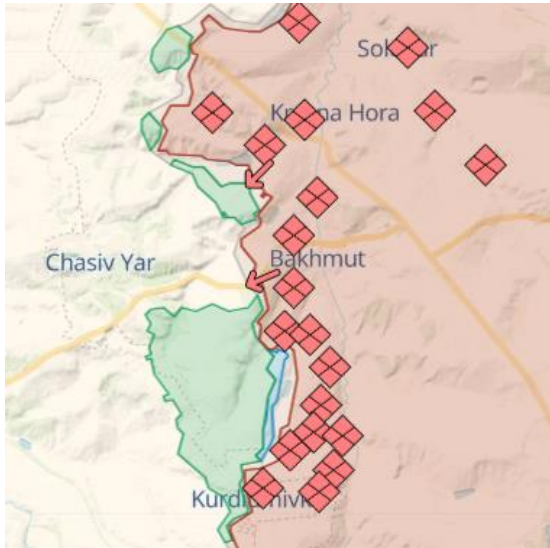
### Front Line Map as of 10:28 PM October 28, 2023



#### **A. Khortytsia operational-strategic group**

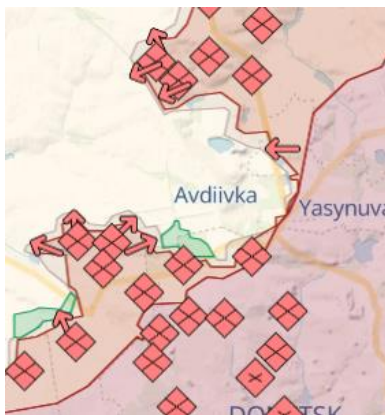
Kupyansk axis: the enemy conducted unsuccessful assault operations in the vicinities of settlements of Synkivka and Ivanivka (Kharkiv oblast), where Ukrainian defenders repelled 5x attacks of the adversary.

Lyman axis: the enemy did not conduct any offensive (assault) operations, and continued to regroup its troops.



Bakhmut axis: the Ukrainian soldiers repelled adversary attacks in the vicinity of Khromove (Donetsk oblast). Also, the enemy made unsuccessful attempts to regain the lost position near Klishchiivka and Andriivka. The Ukrainian defenders repelled more than 10x adversary attacks in that area. The Ukrainian Defense Forces continue assault operations south of Bakhmut (Donetsk oblast), inflict losses in manpower and equipment on the enemy, and consolidate their new positions.

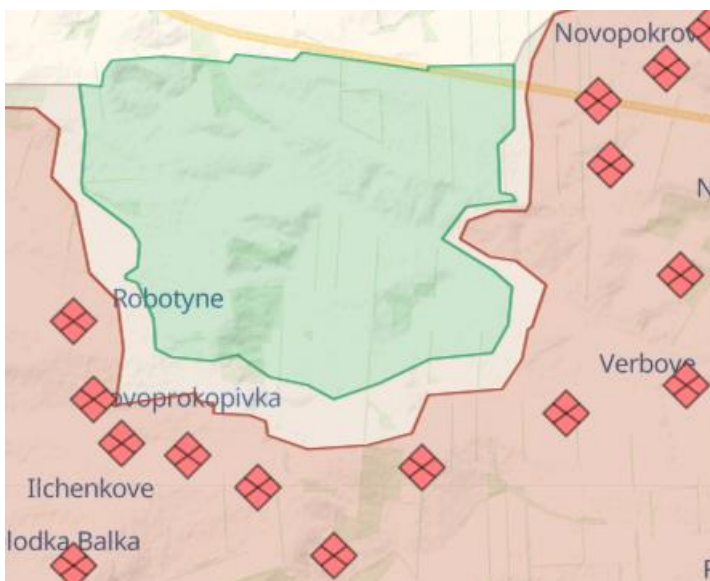
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Maryinka axis: the invaders conducted unsuccessful assault operations in the vicinities of Maryinka and Novomykhailivka (Donetsk oblast). The Ukrainian soldiers repelled more than 20x enemy attacks in that area.

Shakhtarske axis: the Ukrainian defenders repelled all of the adversary attacks near Zolota Nyva and Staromaiorske (Donetsk oblast).



Zaporizhzhia axis: enemy attempted to regain the lost position west of Verbove (Zaporizhzhia oblast), to no success.

8:29 AM: At night, the Russians attacked with five attack UAVs of the "Shahed" type and a Kh-59 guided air missile — the Air Force of the ZSU.

- All the attack UAVs of the enemy were destroyed by the forces and means of the Air Force.

9:29 AM: There are 2 Russian ships on combat duty in the Black Sea, including 1 carrier of the "Calibre" cruise missiles, the Navy.

- 1 Russian ship in the Sea of Azov; in the Mediterranean Sea, 3 ships, including 1 Kalibr cruise missile carrier, a total salvo of up to 8 missiles.

1:21 PM: The Verkhovna Rada has registered a draft law on establishing administrative liability for curfew violations.

- Citizens are proposed to be fined 500-1000 of the non-taxable minimum income (8500-17000 UAH).
- Fines for businesses will be higher - from 3,000 to 6,000 minimum (51,000 to 102,000 UAH).

4:16 PM: 13 occupiers surrendered in the Taurian direction.

- Oleksandr Tarnavskiy, the commander of the operational-strategic group of troops "Tavria", reports this.
- Ukrainian soldiers destroyed 25 units of the enemy's military equipment there, and the total losses of the enemy amounted to 489 people.

5:56 PM: In the Southern direction, DPSU combat drone pilots discovered and destroyed an enemy warehouse with ammunition.

7:11 PM: Summary of the General Staff as of 18:00 on October 29:

- During the day \_40 combat clashes took place\_. The enemy launched 1 missile and 57 air strikes, fired 22 salvo rockets at the positions of our troops and populated areas.
- Aviation of the Defense Forces \_struck 16 strikes\_ on areas of concentration of personnel, weapons and military equipment of the enemy.
- Units of the missile forces \_hit the control post\_ and 6 artillery pieces of the enemy.

### Saturday, October 28

1:38 PM: "Ukrzaliznytsia" warned about train delays due to bad weather.

- The train "Ivano-Frankivsk - Kharkiv" is delayed the most - by 4 hours and 10 minutes. Also, trains "Chernivtsi - Kyiv", "Uzhhorod - Kyiv", "Rakhiv - Kyiv" are delayed for more than 4 hours.

2:55 PM: In a week, the special forces of the CSO "A" of the SBU eliminated 228 military personnel and destroyed:

- 19 tanks;
- 38 BBM;
- 20 artillery systems;
- 10 EW and intelligence systems;
- 57 vehicles;
- 1 video surveillance camera;
- 44 fortifications;
- 2 warehouses from BC.

4:05 PM: 11 vessels arrived at the seaports of the Odesa region to load 225,000 tons of agricultural and metal products.

- As noted in the Ministry of Infrastructure, on Friday, four bulkers exported almost 130,000 tons of grain and 10,000 tons of metal to countries in Africa, Asia and Europe.

- A total of 62 vessels used the entry corridor, 37 have already exported more than 1.3 million tons of Ukrainian agricultural products and other cargo.

4:26 PM: Ukraine and the Netherlands have started consultations on a long-term security agreement, the OP reported.

- Bilateral consultations with the Netherlands concerned:
  - cooperation in the military sphere;
  - issues of economic reconstruction of Ukraine;
  - joint efforts to bring the Russian aggressor to justice;
  - sanctions pressure and use of confiscated assets.
- The parties agreed on a plan of further actions for the near future regarding the preparation for the conclusion of a bilateral agreement on security guarantees.

5:16 PM: At the largest cargo checkpoint "Yagodin - Dorogusk" testing of automatic fixation cameras began.

- This was reported by the press service of the Ministry of Infrastructure of Ukraine.
- It is noted that the cameras will help to check whether the vehicle is in the eCherga system and automate the process of crossing the border. If the car is not in the system, the driver will see a corresponding notification on the screen.

6:14 PM: In Ukraine, prisoners began to be recruited to work in mines, said Minister of Justice Denys Maluska.

- According to the Minister, in this way, the labor shortage is filled, the prisoners themselves receive skills that will contribute to employment in the future. And also a decent salary, which makes it possible to pay compensation for the damage caused by the crime, pay taxes, and fill the budget special fund.

6:54 PM: The Cabinet of Ministers decided to change the rules for exporting agricultural products to combat the shadow market and non-return of foreign exchange earnings to the country.

- This is reported by the Ukrainian Grain Association.
- According to the innovations, companies engaged in the export of agricultural products must be registered in the State Agrarian Register (DAR). Verification in the DAR will take place in the presence of a certificate of the taxpayer as of February 23, 2022 and now.

7:26 PM: Summary of the General Staff as of 18:00 on October 28:

- 48 combat clashes took place during the day\_. In total, the enemy launched 5 rocket and 18 air strikes, carried out 20 attacks from rocket salvo systems on the positions of our troops and populated areas.
- During the day \_the aviation of the Defense Forces made 5 strikes\_ on the areas of concentration of personnel, weapons and military equipment of the enemy.
- Units of the missile forces \_hit the area of concentration of personnel, weapons and military equipment and the enemy's artillery\_.

8:41 PM: In his evening address, Volodymyr Zelenskyi commented on the first day of the summit in Malta.

- 66 countries from all continents are represented there.
- "\_And it is very symbolic that we have such a strong manifestation of international unity today, October 28, on the day when we remember in Ukraine the Second World War and the anniversary of the expulsion of the Nazis from our territory. Now we see that the architecture created then did not work. But unity will definitely work effectively\_" the president said.

9:34 PM: A coronavirus epidemic is developing in the temporarily occupied territories of Ukraine.

- The mayor of Melitopol, Ivan Fedorov, announced this on the air of the telethon.
- "The coronavirus epidemic started today. The last ones die from the vaccine that the enemy injects into the residents. Today we can state the fact that at least 4 people died from vaccination in the last week", Fedorov said.

10:37 PM: As of October 28, no country in the world is able to cover the ammunition needs of Ukraine,

- Oleksandr Kamyshin, Minister of Strategic Industries of Ukraine, stated this on the air of the telethon.
- "And even if all the countries of the free world unite - there will not be enough capacity to cover it", he emphasized.

11:08 PM: Ukrainian soldiers destroyed Russian tanks T-90, T-80, an armored car, an artillery system, two trucks with personnel and ammunition.

- This was announced by the Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Digital Transformation Mykhailo Fedorov.

### **MORDOR - ruZZia**

### **Monday, October 30**

3:42 AM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in temporarily occupied Sevastopol.

7:05 AM Social Networks: In the village Explosions rang out near Saksy district in the temporarily occupied Crimea.

- It is noted that there are Russian warehouses with ammunition in that area.

8:02 AM: Riots at Makhachkala airport: more than 20 people injured, 10 in hospital. The injured are among police officers and among civilians.

8:02 AM: Two naval drones were allegedly destroyed in the Black Sea. At the same time, the raid across the bay and traffic on the Crimean Bridge are blocked, the occupation administration of temporarily occupied Sevastopol reported.

10:57 AM: On the night of October 30, a strategic object of the occupiers' air defense system, StratCom of the Armed Forces, was hit in the west of Crimea.

- In addition, on October 25, Ukrainian soldiers destroyed the S-300 air defense system of the Russians near the temporarily occupied Luhansk.

11:59 AM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in temporarily occupied Sevastopol.

### **Sunday, October 29**

12:35 AM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in Yevpatoria in the temporarily occupied Crimea.

5:33 AM Social Networks: A powerful explosion occurred near the Afip oil refinery in the Seversk district of the Krasnodar region of the Russian Federation.

10:42 AM Social Networks: Air defense is working in Rostov.

11:24 AM: Ukrainian special services cannot yet confirm the information about the alleged death of Putin.

- Andriy Yusov, the representative of the GUR of the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine, stated this.

- "\_Ukrainians should be restrained in reacting to such things. Of course, we all want this event to happen as soon as possible, but still better after the tribunal. However, it is not worth learning this from anonymous Russian sources," Yusov said.

12:23 PM: The Russians have started using a new version of the Lancet attack drone, the ISW.

- The report states that the Russians have been using the new kamikaze drone "Izdelie-53" since October 21. This drone, according to the Russians, has an automatic guidance system that can distinguish between target types and increase the chances of a successful hit.

1:41 PM: British intelligence found yet another confirmation of increased military censorship in Russia.

- As analysts note, the Ministry of Education of the Russian Federation instructed universities to avoid open discussion of any "negative political, economic and social trends" in Russia during scientific and educational activities.
- "\_It is very likely that the Kremlin wants to continue to suppress the negative prospects of a "special military operation" on the eve of the expected re-election of Putin for a new term in March 2024\_", the review concludes.

4:33 PM: Russians shot and killed 9 people in temporarily occupied Volnovas, including a 4th grader and a preschool boy.

- This was announced by the VRU Commissioner for Human Rights, Dmytro Lubinets.
- "\_According to preliminary data, the occupiers killed the entire Kapkanets family, who were celebrating their birthday and refused to give their own home to the Chechen occupiers\_", writes Lubinets.

6:27 PM: New interception of GUR of the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine:

- The occupier's wife is indignant that the command of the Armed Forces of the Russian Federation demands monetary contributions from subordinates to help the families of dead/wounded Russian servicemen.

7:36 PM: A large crowd of aggressive Dagestanis gathered at the Makhachkala airport, where the flight from Israel was supposed to land, — rosZMI.

- They check passengers' passports, looking for Israeli citizens, and also demand the expulsion of Jews from Dagestan.
- The local police try to calm the Dagestanis, pointing out that they themselves would have joined in the chanting of anti-Semitic slogans, but the highway must be kept open.

7:50 PM: A crowd of Dagestanis has already broken into the Makhachkala airport, looking for Jews, — rosZMI.

- Local police continue to be inactive, and airport workers try to hide.

9:36 PM: Volodymyr Zelensky reacted to the situation in Dagestan.

- "\_This is not an isolated case in Makhachkala, but rather a part of the widespread culture of hatred towards other nations in Russia, which is promoted by state television, experts and the authorities\_", the president wrote.
- He emphasized that the head of the Russian Foreign Ministry, Russian propagandists and Vladimir Putin repeatedly made anti-Semitic statements, spreading the culture of hatred.

10:15 PM: The situation in Makhachkala:

- Aggressive Dagestanis searched the plane and buses on the airport territory in search of Israelis;

- the Dagestan deputy minister for transport refused to comment on the riots, arguing that he is currently absent;
- The Directorate of the Investigative Committee of Dagestan initiated a criminal case under the article on mass riots;
- Detentions are carried out near the planes parked at the Makhachkala airport.
- Several Israeli citizens and Jews are currently under guard at Makhachkala Airport, the Israel Security Service said.
- Makhachkala Airport is closed for aircraft reception until 02:59 on November 6

### **Saturday, October 28**

12:48 PM: Russians in the temporarily occupied territory of Luhansk region decided to build their own mobile networks to monitor all calls and messages of local residents.

- This was announced by the head of the Luhansk OVA, Artem Lysohor.

3:21 PM: the Russians placed air defense and radar complexes at the Belbek airfield under the temporarily occupied Sevastopol.

- Radio & Nukes OSINT analysts showed a satellite image of the airfield, on which they found three radars, an aircraft radar and a Pantsir-S2 air defense system.
- The network also showed a schedule of the radar coverage area at the Belbek airfield.

7:55 PM: New interception of GUR of the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine:

- A Russian serviceman talks about constant shelling by the Armed Forces, losses and lies on television in the Russian Federation.

# WHAT IS THE DANGER OF BALLISTIC MISSILES

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## Ballistic trajectory



It can be compared to the trajectory of a thrown stone. The rocket flies in an arc, reaches the highest point, and falls on the target like a stone. The missile may have wings, with the help of which it drives to the target, but it does not change the general trajectory.



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MLRS



S-300

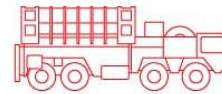
## Why are ballistic missiles difficult to shoot down?



High speed of the missile when it hits the target. It only stays within the range of the air defense system for a short time.



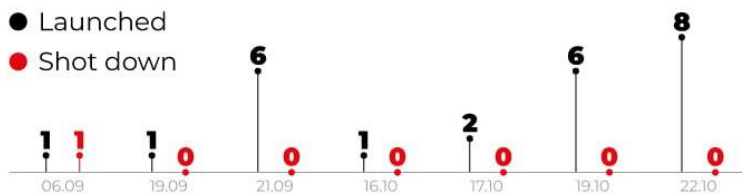
The missile is quite large and robust, so its fragments can cause great losses even if shot down.



In Ukraine, only two air defense systems (Patriot and SAMP/T) are capable of shooting down ballistic missiles, but their range is ~40 km.

## Number of ballistic missiles launched and shot down during large-scale missile and drone attacks, September-October 2023, pieces

- Launched
- Shot down



Most of the time, Russians launch ballistic missiles in frontline areas so that Ukraine does not have time to shoot them down.

Sources: open data, Ukrainian Air Force. Data as of October 28, 2023.

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## REGIONS

### KYIV



#### Sunday, October 29,

5:19 PM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in the Kyiv region. Previously - the work of air defense.

11:06 PM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in the Kyiv region.

#### Saturday, October 28

12:04 PM: DTEK warned of possible power outages due to bad weather.

- Currently, 88,353 families are without electricity in the Kyiv region. Obukhivskiy, Fastivskiy and Buchanskyi districts suffered the most.



12:30 PM: As a result of bad weather with gale-force winds, two people have already died in the capital - men aged 65 and 35, Mayor Vitaliy Klitschko reported.

- 7 residents of Kyiv received injuries and fractures.
- As of this hour, more than 250 trees have fallen or been damaged.

10:51 PM: In the Kyiv region, DTEK energy workers continue to eliminate the consequences of bad weather.

- Power supply has already been restored to more than 226,000 homes, and 241 lines and almost 6,000 transformer substations have been restored.

## SUMY



### Monday, October 30

8:48 AM Sumy RMA: At night and in the morning, the Russians carried out 8 shellings of the border areas and settlements of the Sumy region.

- 47 explosions were recorded. Khotinsk, Bilopolsk, Esmansk, Seredino-Budsk communities came under fire.

11:16 AM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in Sumy region.

### Sunday, October 29

12:25 PM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in Sumy region.

## KHARKIV



### Monday, October 30

9:53 AM: The number of victims as a result of the Russian attack on the Novaya Poshta terminal in Kharkiv region has increased.

- According to the head of RMA Oleg Sinegubov, a 25-year-old man, who was hospitalized in a medical facility, died in the hospital this morning.
- "\_The army of the Russian Federation, having struck Novaya Poshta, has already taken the lives of 7 people. Another 12 are undergoing treatment, 2 of them are in intensive care\_" Sinegubov said.

### Sunday, October 29

9:04 AM Kharkiv RMA: In the Kharkiv region, the enemy shelled the Kupyansk district with artillery this night.

- Private houses and a garage were damaged. There are no casualties.
- "\_On the Kupyansk direction, the Ukrainian military repelled 7 enemy attacks in the areas of Synkivka and Ivanivka during the day. The enemy is suffering losses and has no advance\_" Sinegubov added.

## LUHANSK



### Monday, October 30

10:42 AM Luhansk RMA: Coal plants in the occupied Luhansk region are being cut off due to non-payment. In particular, the occupiers cut off the electricity from the mines of the association "Skhidvugillia" due to debts of millions.

- "Mines are conserved, as if for an indefinite period, and at the same time they are cut into scrap metal. This process has already started at the enterprises "Red Partizan", "Tsentrosoyuz" and "Kharkivska"\_, Lysogor wrote.

#### Sunday, October 29

9:19 AM Luhansk RMA: In Luhansk region, the Russians bombarded Bilogorivka, opened fire on Nevsky and Makiivka, —

- "In recent days, the Russians have mostly concentrated their efforts on the Kupyansk direction, where a significant part of the assaults are taking place. Lymansky is under attack from aviation, artillery and mortars."

#### Saturday, October 28

5:49 PM: The head of the Luhansk OVA, Artem Lysohor, published a video of the work of the Ukrainian defenders of the Kupyansk region.

- During aerial reconnaissance, Ukrainian border guards, together with the soldiers of the Armed Forces of Ukraine, discovered an enemy EW station and destroyed it with the help of a kamikaze drone.

#### DONETSK



#### Monday, October 30

10:51 AM Donetsk RMA: Russians shelled communities in the Donetsk, Volnovasky, Horlivsky and Lysychansky directions.

- Private houses and high-rise buildings, cars and power lines were damaged. the Russians killed 1 resident of the region.

11:17 AM: Russian troops are regrouping near Avdiivka in the Donetsk region, pulling up equipment and redeploying personnel.

- As Vitaly Barabash, the head of the Avdiyiv Military Academy, reported, a new wave of enemy assaults is expected on this part of the front in the coming days.

#### Sunday, October 29

10:38 AM: Four police officers were wounded in Donetsk region as a result of Russian shelling last day, the Ministry of Internal Affairs said.

- The Russians hit Siversk near the front with artillery. One of the shells exploded near the police crew.
- The police recorded 3 hits on the civilian population. The Russian Federation attacked the cities of Chasiv Yar, Siversk and the village of Kurdyumivka.

2:28 PM: The Armed Forces of Ukraine broke up a column of Russians trying to break through the defenses near the village of Krasnohorivka, Donetsk region.

2:55 PM: Border guards shot down a Russian plane near Avdiyivka, reports the spokesman of the DPSU Andriy Demchenko.

- According to preliminary information, this is an attack aircraft SU-25.

5:37 PM: Avdiivka is the biggest defeat of the Russians, since October 10, their losses there amounted to almost 6,500 people.

- Oleksandr Shtupun, the spokesman of the Tavry region, stated this.
- Shtupun added that the Armed Forces destroyed 100 tanks and almost 250 units of other enemy armored vehicles in the Avdiiv direction.

## ZAPORIZHIA



### Monday, October 30

9:12 AM Zaporizhzhia RMA: In the Zaporizhzhia region, the Russians shelled 23 settlements.

- The military of the Russian Federation struck 178 blows. In Novoyakovlivka, a 16-year-old boy was injured, and a 59-year-old woman from Orich was also injured, who came under artillery fire.
- "\_ We received 6 reports about the destruction of residential buildings and infrastructure objects\_" Malashko added.

11:28 AM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in Zaporizhzhia.

### Sunday, October 29

8:51 AM Zaporizhzhia RMA: 133 strikes by the Russians in the Zaporizhzhia region.

- Shells damaged 3 residential buildings. Civilians were not injured. 9:09 AM: At night, the Russians attacked Novoberyslav,
- 4 arrivals of KAB were recorded. Residential buildings were destroyed as a result of the impact. No victims.

### Saturday, October 28

1:18 PM: Border guards shoot down Russian FPV drones that attacked their positions.

- In the Zaporozhye direction, fighters silenced two drones with an anti-drone gun. The first - detonated upon landing, the second - landed unharmed and will soon serve on the side of the Armed Forces.

## DNIPRO



### Monday, October 30

8:25 AM Dnipro RMA: In the Dnipropetrovsk region at night, defenders from Pvk "Shid" shot down two enemy missiles.

- The wreckage fell in the Dnipro district. A five-story building, a private house and a car were damaged there.

### Sunday, October 29

7:50 AM Dnipro RMA: Russians shelled Nikopol district of Dnipropetrovsk region with heavy artillery 4 times during the night.

- 6 buildings, an administrative building and a private enterprise of the district center were damaged. Without victims and victims.

## KHERSON



### Monday, October 30

7:29 AM Kherson Municipal Military Administration: As a result of a night attack by Russians in the Central district of Kherson, one person was killed and three others were injured, - MBA.

- In particular, high-rise buildings were damaged. As a result of the hit, one of the apartments caught fire, where an 85-year-old woman died. Another victim with burns was taken to the hospital, noted the head of the Kherson MBA, Roman Mrochko.

- A 68-year-old man and a 36-year-old woman were injured. They are diagnosed in a moderate condition.

9:45 AM Kherson RMA: Russian air forces attacked the Kherson region.

- the Russians dropped four guided aerial bombs on the village of Novoberislav. Homes and commercial buildings were damaged. In the morning Kozatsk was under enemy fire. An 86-year-old woman was injured. Now she is in the hospital.
- Also, the occupiers hit two settlements of the Beryslav district six times with aircraft.

10:03 AM Kherson RMA: At night, the Russians launched a missile attack on Kherson.

- According to him, an elderly woman died as a result of the shelling.

11:28 AM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in Kherson.

11:56 AM Kherson Municipal Military: The Russian army fired from the temporarily occupied left bank of the Komyshan district of Kherson community.

- A 60-year-old man was wounded in one of the settlements. He is currently being treated for aquabaro-trauma and multiple shrapnel wounds. Doctors assess his condition as moderate.

### Sunday, October 29

6:24 AM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in Kherson.

6:31 AM Kherson RMA: Heavy explosions are heard in Kherson. The coastal areas of the city are under fire from the occupying forces.

11:22 AM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in Kherson.

11:34 AM Kherson Municipal Military Administration: About two hours ago, the Russian army attacked Kherson again.

- Hits were recorded in the Dnipro district of the city, as a result of which a car was damaged. The driver was not injured.

1:14 PM: Last day, Russian troops attacked the communities of Berislavsky, Kakhovsky and Kherson districts, — the Ministry of Internal Affairs.

- Four people were injured. A school, more than 20 houses, shops, cars, office premises and administrative buildings were damaged.

2:34 PM Kherson RMA: A 46-year-old man was injured as a result of a Russian attack on Novoberyslav.

- The wounded man was hospitalized in serious condition, doctors are fighting for his life.

5:04 PM: The Russian army shelled Kherson with artillery, two people were injured, OVA.

- A 43-year-old woman was hospitalized in a moderate condition. Another victim is a man with a blast injury.

9:17 PM: 637 children still remain in dangerous areas of Kherson region, HOVA

- As of October 27, 32 children and their families were taken out of 23 settlements in the Kherson region where forced evacuation was announced, and as of October 28 – 9 adults and 4 children.
- In total, 147 children were evacuated from dangerous communities since October 24.

## Saturday, October 28

12:21 PM Kherson RMA: Around 5:00 the Russian army shelled Kherson.

- As a result of the Russian attack, a woman was injured and several private houses in the central part of the city were damaged.

2:39 PM Kherson RMA: Russian army shelled Ivanovka in Kherson region.

- A 40-year-old man and a 60-year-old woman were injured. They were taken to a medical facility.

4:33 PM Kherson Municipal Military Administration: Explosions are heard in the coastal areas of Kherson.

7:22 PM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in the Kherson region.

## MYKOLAIV



## Monday, October 30

8:42 AM Mykolaiv RMA: Five enemy "Shahed-131/136" UAVs were destroyed in the Mykolaiv region at night by air defense forces and means.

- As a result of falling debris, a fire broke out in the warehouse of the Bashtan district farm. The fire was quickly eliminated. There are no

casualties.

## Sunday, October 29

8:57 PM: Strike UAVs in the airspace of the Mykolaiv region, moving in the western direction, the Air Force of the Armed Forces of Ukraine reports.

## Saturday, October 28

7:48 PM Snihuriv Municipal Military Administration: Several explosions were heard in Snihurivka, Mykolaiv Region. According to preliminary information, there are no casualties.

## ODESA



## Monday, October 30

8:36 AM Social Networks: Explosion in Odesa.

8:59 AM: "\_Preliminarily, Odesa and the surrounding area were attacked by 6 Onyxes\_" People's Deputy Oleksiy Goncharenko reported.

- According to him, a ship repair plant near Odesa was also attacked.

10:19 AM Odesa RMA: In the morning, Russian terrorists attacked a ship repair plant in Odesa district with rockets.

- As a result of the attack, a fire broke out, which was quickly extinguished by rescuers. The administrative building and equipment of the enterprise were damaged.
- Husband born in 1961 and a woman born in 1966 was taken to the hospital in a moderate condition.

## Sunday, October 29

2:13 PM: Five more ships arrived at the ports of Great Odesa through the new "sea corridor".

- Andriy Klymenko, head of the monitoring group of the Institute of Black Sea Strategic Studies, announced this.
- Klymenko added that 4 ships belonging to shipowners from Greece and Turkey left Ukrainian ports.

## POLTAVA



**Sunday, October 29**

8:39 AM Poltava RMA: the Russians again carried out a missile attack on the Myrhorod district of the Poltava region.

- "According to preliminary information, there are no victims, no damage to the civil infrastructure. All services are working on the spot," said the head of Poltava OVA Philip Pronin.

## CHERKASY



**Sunday, October 29**

10:48 PM: The first group of UAVs in Cherkasy region - the direction of movement is to the North.

- The second group of unmanned aerial vehicles in Vinnytsia region - the direction of movement is North-West.

11:20 PM: Explosions are heard in Cherkasy region.

- The head of the Cherkasy RMA Ihor Taburets reports on the work of the Air Defense Forces.

## KHMELNITSKY



**Sunday, October 29**

6:43 AM Khmelnytsky RMA: Air defense forces worked in Khmelnytsky region during the air alert.

- "There are no victims. There is no damage to the civil infrastructure," Serhii Tyurin, the first deputy head of the Khmelnytskyi OVA, emphasized.

11:30 PM: Strike UAVs are moving in the direction of Starokostyantynov, Khmelnytskyi region.

- This is reported by the Air Force of the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

11:40 PM: Explosions are heard in the Khmelnytskyi region.

- The OVA reports on the work of the Air Defense Forces.

### Attacks on Civilians and Civilian Infrastructure from 12:00 October 27 to 12:00 October 28 2023

<b>Civilian Casualties</b>	Killed	<b>3</b>	Wounded	<b>22</b>	Land Mine Injuries	<b>0</b>
<b>Strike Numbers</b>	rocket/UAV strikes	<b>5</b>	bomb strikes	<b>47</b>	artillery or mortar strikes	<b>645</b>
<b>Physical Damage</b>	Residential	<b>45</b>	Commercial Property	<b>12</b>	Public/Infrastructure	<b>7</b>

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.

	Soviet Afghani stan	Oct 25	Oct 26	Oct 27	Oct 28	Oct 29
Duration	9 years and 9 months	After 605 days	After 606 days	After 607 days	After 608 days	After 609 days
Military Personnel Liquidated	14,453	297,120	297,680	298,420	299,080	299,940

#### Material Losses

Tanks	147	5141	5145	5167	5175	5190
Armored Personnel Carriers	1,314	9715	9726	9749	9758	9775
Artillery, Mortars, and Ballistic Rocket launchers	433	7989	7996	8014	8022	8036
Cruise Missiles		1538	1538	1541	1544	1544
Fighters Bombers	118	320	320	320	320	321
Helicopters	333	324	324	324	324	324
Drones		5389	5390	5399	5399	5419
Anti Aircraft Missile Batteries		556	556	558	558	559
Cargo/Fuel/other transport	11,369	9507	9513	9524	9532	9555
Naval Vessels		20 + (1 submarine)	20 + (1 submarine)	20 + (1 submarine)	20 + (1 submarine)	20 + (1 submarine)
Specialized mobile electronic communication and jamming, ballistic radars		1010	1011	1011	1012	1014

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