News From Ukraine

Russian Invasion of Ukraine
12:00 noon November 28 to
12:00 noon November 29, 2023

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EUROMAIDAN BOOK

As some of you know, I started writing these mails on Saturday, Dec. 1st, 2013, the day after students were beaten up on Independence Square in Kyiv, the start of the Euromaidan Revolution now known as the "Revolution of Dignity," and the day before the first massive demonstration on Independence Square.

To mark the 10th Anniversary of the start of the Euromaidan Revolution and the concurrent beginning of these emails, I am making available a never been published book that I wrote in 2016, incorporating many of the emails I wrote during that period, plus extensive additional material.

As an exclusive offer to email recipients, you can purchase an advance copy of the book for \$25.00, or in any other recognized currency. It's in the form of an Ebook. To purchase the Ebook, please click on the link HERE. After December 9, 2023, the price will be \$30.00. I have no immediate plans to publish the book, so this is an exclusive offer.

Looking back, I have concluded that it's impossible to understand that is happening in Ukraine today, in terms of Ukraine's response to Russia's latest invasion, without understanding what happened during Euromaidan. Hopefully the book will add to people's understanding of this extraordinary period.

In writing the book, I was interested in learning about how the Euromaidan Revolution was managed, especially its leadership.

From my research and extensive interviews, I concluded that the leadership of Euromaidan was not what either Western experts or the Russians expected, or the kind of leadership one might learn at business school. As a result, there was continual misunderstanding between the protestors, and those in the West and Russia whom they believed constituted the leadership.

Among other things the book contains:

- Extensive interviews with those involved in various aspects of Euromaidan, including:
 - Those responsible for food service and distribution
 - The design and placing of the barricades that protected Independence Square from the Interior Ministry police, known as the "Berkut"
 - The person who established the initial first-aid station on Independence Square, and who later was responsible for managing and operating first-aid stations and makeshift hospitals located throughout Central Kyiv
 - A leader of one of the volunteer battalions
 - A member of "AutoMaidan"
 - The leadership of organizations located outside of Kyiv that provided logistical support and money, to support the protests in Independence Square, without which Euromaidan might have turned out differently.
- Also included is an extensive collection of YouTube videos, that appear in footnotes. covering the protests and the fighting. Some of the videos are very hard to watch. Included are:

 - Video of a lecture given by my wife, Larysa, on
 December 12, 2013, on Independence Square sponsored
 by the Open University of Ukraine

- Videos of the tragic events on Institutska Street, that took place on February 20, 2014
- Security camera footage from Yanukovich's estate,
 Mezhihirya taken on February 18, 2014, showing movers moving Yanukovich's personal effects, 4 days before his actual departure.
- My own observations and stories from being in Kyiv throughout Euromaidan.

I have decided to withhold the names of those private individuals whom I interviewed, some of whom are now fighting in the Army. Other than this the book, and emails contained therein, are as I first wrote them.

I am very excited to offer the book to all loyal recipients.

<u>"What Ukraine Should do Next? – Preparing For a Long War"</u>/By Lawrence Freedman via Substack

Below is Freedman's conclusions (followed by my comments) –

"I have argued that the logic of the situation turns the prevailing assumptions upside down. Instead of Ukraine pushing for a quick victory while Russia waits for its support to wane in the West Ukraine needs to show patience and concentrate on strengthening its position for the longer term. A dash for a quick victory would exhaust scarce resources and, if it failed, lead to further demoralisation. This is essentially what Russia has been trying to do and, despite its advantages, it has not succeeded and suffered heavy losses. Even if it gets in a position to take Avdiivka it will struggle to push on in the land war. The next few months will be difficult, especially if missile attacks directed against critical infrastructure start to get through its air defences and threats of retaliation fail to deter. The costs and pain of war should never be understated and they can be harder to endure when victory appears as a distant prospect. The challenge for political leadership in Ukraine and in the West is to demonstrate that there is a way forward."

Confidence is not helped by regular warnings of the risks to the current levels of support from the US and Europe. The risks are real but commentary on these has been overdone. The intricacies of decision-making in the US Congress and in the EU are sources of delay but they can be navigated and probably will be. These delays have their costs, as can be seen in the shortage of ammunition. Western production is increasing but this has been too slow and the benefits to Ukraine will not come through until late next year. Of course everything might get messed up by a Trump victory but one cannot base policy on a speculative possibility.

Looking ahead it is as important that Western countries gear up for a long war. Russia's economy is tiny compared to theirs, and while some grumble at the economic burden they are not the ones doing the fighting. The costs and impact of a Russian victory would be far greater. Economic sanctions can be tightened, and seized Russian financial assets diverted to help Ukraine. These will not provide killer blows, but they can add to concern in Russia that the longer the war continues the tougher it will be for them. It will be easier for their supporters to do this if Ukraine demonstrates that it has a coherent strategy, so that it can cope with Russian aggression in whatever form it takes while preparing for more focused offensive action of its own either later in 2024 or, as likely, in 2025. Above all it must reinforce the message that this is a war that Russia can never win.

My Comments -

• "The challenge for political leadership in Ukraine and in the West is to demonstrate that there is a way forward." This is especially true for the West, and more so for the United States. There is now a general consensus that the West, especially the United States, is only supplying Ukraine with enough weapons for Ukraine not to lose, but not enough to ensure Ukraine's victory. This is not the "way forward." This strategy will result in a Ukrainian victory, but in a longer war with many more Ukrainian deaths, culminating in a guerrilla conflict possibly

- lasting more than a decade.
- "The intricacies of decision-making in the US Congress and in the EU are sources of delay but they can be navigated and probably will be." I agree. There is plenty of support in the U.S. Congress for continuing military assistance to Ukraine. However, it may take until Christmas.
- "Above all it (Ukraine) must reinforce the message that this is a war that Russia can never win." Agree and, as we have said before in these emails, Ukraine will win either the easy way, defined as Ukraine getting enough military support to drive the Russians out of Ukraine by conventual, plus a security guarantee defined as joining NATO, or the hard way through a protracted guerrilla war. "Winning" is defined by driving Russia out of Ukrainian territory and back to Ukraine's 1991 borders.

<u>"Francis Farrell – Ukraine Could Still Lose This War; Let's Get Some</u> Things Straight"/Kyiv Independent

The article also contains a video entitled "This Week in Ukraine – Counteroffensive Almost Over?"

Farrell's article is well-worth reading in its entirety. Farrell makes 10 observations, as follows (with my commentary):

- 1. "Gen. Zaluzhnyi is right. The front line across Ukraine has become static, and taking territory is becoming harder and harder for both sides."
- 2. "The main reason Ukraine finds itself in this position is because it wasn't given the weapons it needed to change the game before the war settled into this positional tussle." My commentary Back in the first part of 2022, the strategy pursued by the West was not to give Ukraine weapons to sustain offensive operations. The strategy was to give Ukraine weapons like Javelins, NLAWS and Stingers that would be useful in fighting a partisan campaign. The fact that Ukraine was able to engage in the very offensive operations that the West didn't anticipate, and drive Russia out of the territory around Kyiv,

- Chernihiv and Sumy, was the result of a combination of Ukrainian small unit tactics, individual initiative by Ukrainians acting on their own, and Russian stupidity (witness the 40km traffic jam).
- 3. "While it remains taboo to admit, it's now nearly impossible to deny that the West, in particular Washington, does not want a complete Ukrainian victory." My commentary We've said the same thing in these emails, and we've been criticized by a few of our recipients for doing so, because instead Ukraine should be "grateful." I was listening to a webinar early today that included Mikheil Khodorkovsky. I asked Khordorkovsky if he thought that the West is concerned about the prospect of Ukraine's victory and the impact it would have on events inside Russia. He answered by saying that that there should be no concern here, because the West hasn't given Ukraine enough military support to ensure Ukraine's victory, therefore there will be no impact inside Russia.
- 4. "The West's unwillingness to empower a Ukrainian victory is no clearer than in the issue of providing long-range missiles." My commentary Farrell quotes former U.S. Undersecretary of Defense Colin Kahl, "We think the Ukrainians can change the dynamic on the battlefield and achieve the type of effects they want to push the Russians back without ATACMS," then-U.S. Undersecretary of Defense for Policy Colin Kahl said in January, adding that they are not needed for targets "directly relevant to the current fight."" Farrell responded, "This was not a line of argument but an open lie." Later, the U.S. tacitly admitted that Kahl was lying, when the U.S. gave Ukraine the very same weapon that Kahl was referring to.
- 5. "Ukraine's war effort depends most of all on Washington, where bipartisan support for Ukraine is openly faltering in Congress, and a presidential election could bring it all down." My commentary I don't agree for several reasons: 1. There is still plenty of bipartisan support for military assistance to Ukraine in Congress; 2. Europe is now providing more military

assistance to Ukraine than they have in the past; 3. Europe has always provided the bulk of non-military assistance to Ukraine; 4. The election is 11+ months from now; 5. Mike Pompeo, Trump's former Secretary of State, believes that Trump will "do the right thing" and, if elected, Trump will continue to provide military support to Ukraine.

It should be remembered that it was Trump, and not his predecessor Barack Obama, who provided the initial military aid to Ukraine. There are a lot of Obama holdovers in the Biden Administration, including Jake Sullivan, Antony Blinken and Susan Rice, who was reportedly responsible for blocking the delivery of Javelin missiles during Obama's presidency.

- 6. "Even if Western military support continues to trickle in, Ukraine cannot fight a war at this intensity on its own forever." My commentary See No. 4, above. Western support has hardly "continuing to trickle in." Since 2014, Western support and Ukrainian leadership have turned the Ukrainian Armed Forces into one of the most powerful and competent armed forces in Europe, and they've fought Russia to a standstill. That wouldn't have been possible with just a "trickle" of support.
- 7. "The high cost of war on both sides means eventual peace negotiations are not unthinkable, but discussions about them usually get everything wrong." My commentary Neither side wants to negotiate. It's as simple as that. The West will not be able to force Ukraine into negotiations, at least for as long as Russia remains on Ukrainian territory.
- 8. "Russia's mission to destroy independent Ukraine hasn't changed. Moscow has little left to lose, and its strategy of tiring out the West is slowly working." I agree with Gen. Barrons' remarks at the Lucerne Dialog, when he said, "give me \$75 billion/year for 2-3 years and Ukraine will defeat Russia. I don't believe that the West will tire because, at such a low price \$150 billion and no cost in the lives of their children, it is

- what Gen. Barrons called the "bargain of the Century." There's no country in the so-called "Collective West" stupid enough to pass up the bargain of the Century.
- 9. "To end the war with an independent Ukraine, the West must provide honest answers to two questions." These are: "What will you do to permanently stop Russia from wanting and being able to take more Ukrainian territory?" and ""What incentive will you give to Russia to not quickly break any ceasefire deal and finish what they started?" This is the "just, durable, and sustainable" peace that Washington frequently refers to." My commentary the answers are connected. A Ukrainian victory on the battlefield is a necessary but not sufficient condition a security guarantee embodied in NATO membership must be added.

Much of my optimism is based on the potential downside for the United States if Ukraine was defeated and, as Gen. Barrons described the upside coming from the "bargain of the Century."

News From the Battlefield

"Reporting From Ukraine" continued to cover Avdiivka, describing the pounding Russia received from entering the industrial part of Avdiivka. Ukraine seems to have taken a page from the strategy pursued by the Berkut on February 20, 2014 during Euromaidan, when they enticed the protestors up Institutska Street, into a killing zone. He also describes the impact of bad weather on drone operations.

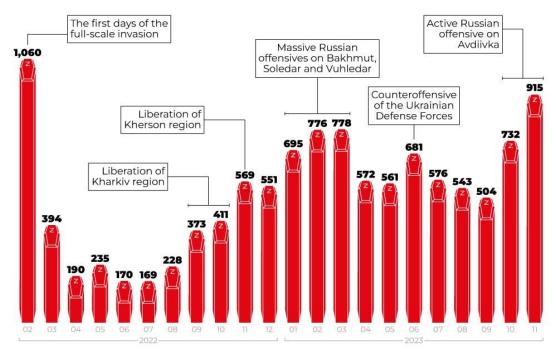
Over the last 24 hours, Ukraine's Defense Ministry estimated approximately 1,140 Russian dead or permanently incapacitated. This number approximates the estimate from British Intelligence.

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915 PEOPLE — RECORD AVERAGE DAILY RUSSIAN LOSSES IN NOVEMBER

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Average daily Russian losses since the beginning of the invasion, people



Source: General Staff of the Armed Forces of Ukraine. Data as of November 28, 2023.



Abbreviations:

RMA = Regional Military Administration SBU = Security Service of Ukraine

RASHISTS = russian Facists/all russian invaders

INTERNATIONAL

Wednesday, November 29

8:10 AM: Ukraine's rapid accession to NATO will make it pointless for Putin to continue the war, says former US ambassador to NATO Kurt Volker.

8:10 AM: We endanger Polish-Ukrainian relations and do not protect Polish interests, — the leader of the Polish opposition Donald Tusk about the blockade of the border with Ukraine.

8:10 AM: Sweden expressed support for Finland regarding the closure of the border with the Russian Federation.

9:27 AM: EU's 12th package of sanctions will gradually limit the trade in Russian diamonds, — AFP.

- From January 1, 2024, a ban on "non-industrial natural and synthetic diamonds, as well as diamond jewelry" will be introduced.
- From March to September, a ban on the import of Russian diamonds cut or polished in third countries will be phased in.

10:05 AM: Ukraine has fulfilled almost all the requirements for the start of negotiations on joining the EU, Ukrainian reforms are "deeply impressive".

- This was stated by the President of the European Commission, Ursula von der Leyen.
- She also emphasized that the EU still supports Ukraine and disagreed with the fact that the West is tired of Ukraine.

Tuesday, November 28

2:10 PM: The leadership of the European Parliament supported negotiations on Ukraine's accession to the EU.

- This was announced by the President of the European Parliament, Roberta Metsola.
- "[...] _The Conference of Presidents of the European Parliament confirmed today that Ukraine has demonstrated a solid basis for opening accession negotiations," she said.

2:56 PM: The European Parliament opens its office in Kyiv.

- "_We signed an updated memorandum of parliamentary support for democracy between our two parliaments_," said the President of the European Parliament, Roberta Metzola.
- Volodymyr Zelenskyy appealed to the European Parliament with a request to create a permanent representation in Kyiv on March 4.

4:30 PM: Iran has announced an agreement with Moscow to purchase Su-35 fighter jets, according to Iran's Deputy Defense Minister Sardar Farhi.

4:30 PM: Ukraine, Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania refused to participate in the work of the Council of Ministers of the OSCE due to the presence of the head of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation Lavrov.

4:30 PM: The European Commission has approved a proposal to ban the sale of Russian diamonds, — AFP.

4:30 PM: Finland has announced the closure of its land border with Russia until December 13, Prime Minister Petteri Orpo said.

5:00 PM: The US is negotiating with Greece to buy 75,000 artillery shells for Ukraine, Ekathimerini.

- "_Negotiations regarding the procurement of projectiles are at the final stage," the publication writes.
- The total price of the shells is 47 million US dollars.

5:13 PM: The EU Council decided to provide an additional €194 million for the training of the Ukrainian military.

- This was announced by the head of EU diplomacy, Josep Borrell.
- To date, since the launch of the EUMAM Ukraine mission, more than 34,000 Ukrainian soldiers have been trained.

10:46 PM: Volodymyr Zelenskyy won in the "Dreamer" nomination according to Politico.

11:28 PM: Volodymyr Zelenskyy became the most influential figure in Europe according to the version of the American publication Politico in the "Dreamers" category.

 The publication believes that the president of Ukraine is among those who are able to change the course of history, "not by the power of his army or the power of his economy, but by the power of his words, along with Churchill and Martin Luther King."

11:49 PM: Today several dozen Ukrainian drivers blocked the roads in the Polish cities of Medyka and Przemyśl.

 This protest action is a response to the blocking of the border by Polish carriers. The police were on the scene, the actions were peaceful, reports RMF FM.

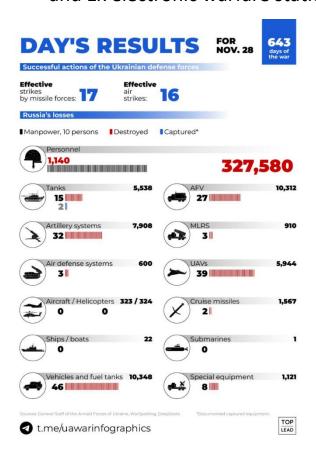
NATIONAL

Wednesday, November 29

7:35 AM: Summary of the General Staff as of 06:00 November 29:

- During the day of November 28, there were 87x combat engagements. The enemy launched a total of 14x missile and 80x air strikes, 68x MLRS attacks at the positions of Ukrainian troops and various settlements. During the day of November 28, the occupiers attacked Ukraine, using 21x Shahed-136/131 strike UAVs. All of the enemy drones were destroyed.
- Air strikes hit Ivanivka, Stepova Novoselivka (Kharkiv oblast),
 Spirne, Chasiv Yar, Toretsk (Donetsk oblast), Zmiivka, Beryslav,
 and Kozatske (Kherson oblast).
- More than 100x settlements in Chernihiv, Sumy, Kharkiv, Luhansk, Donetsk, Zaporizhzhia, Dnipropetrovsk, and Kherson oblasts came under artillery fire.
- During the day of November 28, Ukrainian Air Force launched 13x air strikes on the concentrations of troops, weapons, and

- military equipment, and 3x air strikes on the anti-aircraft missile systems of the adversary.
- The Ukrainian missile troops hit 1x command post, 5x air defense systems, 9x artillery systems, 1x ammunition depot, and 1x electronic warfare station of the russian invaders.



Khortytsia operationalstrategic group

Kupyansk axis: the enemy conducted unsuccessful assault operations near Synkivka and Petropavlivka (Kharkiv oblast), where the Ukrainian Defense Forces repelled 5x attacks.

Lyman axis: the Ukrainian defenders repelled 4x attacks of the occupiers near Terny (Donetsk oblast).

Bakhmut axis: the adversary conducted assault operations in the vicinities of Bohdanivka, Klishchiivka, Andriivka, and

Pivnichne (Donetsk oblast). The Ukrainian defenders repelled 16x attacks in that area. In turn, 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. The Ukrainian soldiers are standing their ground and inflicting major losses on the invaders. The adversary's offensive actions were unsuccessful south of Novokalynove, Stepove, Avdiivka, Tonenke, and Pervomaiske (Donetsk oblast), where the Ukrainian Defense Forces repelled 27x attacks.

Maryinka axis: the Ukrainian defenders repelled 17x attacks in the vicinities of Krasnohorivka, Maryinka and Novomykhailivka (Donetsk oblast).

Shakhtarske axis: the adversary conducted unsuccessful offensive (assault) operations southwest of Staromaiorske and Vodyane (Donetsk oblast).

Zaporizhzhia axis: the enemy conducted unsuccessful assault operations west of Verbove and Robotyne (Zaporizhzhia oblast). The Ukrainian defenders repelled 9x attacks of the adversary in that area.

Odesa operational-strategic group

Kherson axis: the Ukrainian Defense Forces maintain their positions held on the left bank of the Dnipro River, continue to conduct counter-battery fire, as they strike behind the enemy lines.

8:01 AM: During the night, air defense forces destroyed 21/21 Shaheds and 2/3 Kh-59 guided air missiles, — Air Force of the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

All enemy UAVs were destroyed within Odesa, Mykolaiv,
 Dnipropetrovsk, Kyiv, Kherson, Zaporizhzhya and Khmelnytskyi regions, guided air missiles - in Mykolaiv region.

10:20 AM: By the end of the year, all employers must submit lists of conscripts to the TCC.

- According to the rules of military accounting, approved by the Resolution of the Cabinet, these lists must be submitted every year:
- Educational institutions;
- State bodies and local self-government bodies;
- Enterprises, institutions, organizations, etc.

Tuesday, November 28

12:27 PM: The State Emergency Service reported the results of the elimination of the consequences of bad weather.

• Traffic is currently blocked on 8 highways. 572 settlements were de-energized.

1:23 PM: Thanks to the materials of the SBU and the Security Service of Ukraine, it was possible to return the collection of "Scythian gold" worth \$1.5 million to Ukraine.

- Currently, there are 565 antiquities in Ukraine, which were exported from Crimea to the EU in 2013 for display in private European museums.
- Measures are underway to return to Ukraine other elements of "Scythian gold" seized in cooperation with law enforcement agencies of foreign countries.

1:45 PM: All of Ukraine - missile danger! MiG-31K takeoff, — Air Force of the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

1:51 PM: The Shevchenkiv court of Kyiv extended the preventive measure to Ihor Kolomoisky in the form of detention for two months with the possibility of making bail in the amount of 3 billion 712 thousand hryvnias, — mass media.

2:22 PM: UOC MP Metropolitan Pavlo (Lebid) arrived at the Pechersk Court of Kyiv after a 4-month break due to a heart attack.

2:33 PM: The HUR officially confirmed the poisoning of Marianna Budanov's wife.

- The information was confirmed by the representative of the intelligence Andriy Yusov in a comment to the mass media.
- The wife of the head of the GUR of the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine was indeed poisoned by heavy metals and is currently undergoing a course of treatment, which is already coming to an end.

3:50 PM: The President of Ukraine signed the law on the state budget of Ukraine for 2024.

• This is stated in the card of the corresponding bill.

7:27 PM Summary of the General Staff of the Armed Forces of

Ukraine as of 18:00 on November 28:

- During the day _56 combat clashes took place_. The enemy launched 11 rocket and 35 air strikes, fired 42 rocket salvo fire strikes at the positions of our troops and populated areas.
- Aviation of the Defense Forces _struck 13 strikes_ on the areas of concentration of personnel, weapons and military equipment and 3 - on the enemy's anti-aircraft missile complexes.
- Units of the missile forces hit the command post, 5 anti-aircraft defenses, _9 artillery pieces and the enemy's electronic warfare station._

7:50 PM: Currently, 280 NATO standards have been implemented in the Ministry of Defense and the Armed Forces.

- _"The Ukrainian army must meet all NATO criteria it must be changed for full interoperability with partners_", stressed the head of the Ministry of Defense Rustem Umyerov.
- In total, there are 1,135 standards in the Alliance that is, a quarter of the total number (24.6%) has already been implemented in the Ministry of Defense and the Armed Forces.

10:15 PM: Head of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine Kuleba said that he does not feel pressure from Western partners to start negotiations with Russia

 _"To make my answer simpler, removing all possible interpretations from it: no, I do not feel any pressure," Kuleba said during a joint press conference with the head of EU diplomacy Borrell in response to a question about possible pressure on Kyiv.

MORDOR - ruZZia

Wednesday, November 29

8:10 AM: A drone was allegedly shot down in the Podolsk district of the Moscow region.

8:53 AM: Three Russian ships: "Matros Shevchenko", "Matros Pozynych" and "Kavkaz-5" collided in the Kerch Strait due to a storm.

• This was reported by local mass media.

10:46 AM: In the Russian city of Yaroslavl, a cardboard factory is on fire, an office is on fire, - Minister

• The fire spread to 1000 square meters. m. Three people were injured.

Tuesday, November 28

12:00 PM: The Russian Federation has suspended the exchange of prisoners of war in an attempt to influence society and create the impression that the Ukrainian authorities are not working on this issue.

- Petro Yatsenko, a representative of the Coordinating Headquarters for the Treatment of Prisoners of War, stated this.
- According to the representative of the headquarters, Ukraine is ready for dialogue and puts forward certain proposals to the Russians.

3:23 PM: According to SBU materials, Russian General Serhiy Kobylash, who ordered the missile strikes on Uman in April of this year, was suspected.

- It has been established that Kobylash has been directly involved in the war against Ukraine since the first days of the full-scale invasion of the Russian Federation.
- Before that, the war criminal "distinguished himself" when he commanded the bombing of civilian infrastructure in Syria and Georgia.

7:41 PM: Russia spent \$1.5 billion on the "Maidan-3" anti-Ukrainian information campaign.

- Andriy Chernyak, representative of the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications of Ukraine, stated this.
- The information operation is aimed at inciting enmity, exacerbating contradictions in Ukraine, as well as spreading fear and panic.
- "Maidan-3" became the most expensive Russian information special operation against Ukraine since 2014.

9:24 PM: Putin will spend a third of the Russian budget on war in 2024, — rosZMI.

- For 2024, under the article "national defense", the budget will spend 10.4 trillion rubles (\$111 billion), which is 70% more than last year.
- State propaganda can count on record financing from the Russian budget 121.3 billion rubles.

REGIONS

KYIV



Tuesday, November 28

9:09 PM: Air defense is operating in the Kyiv region.

• RMA reported that Russian drones were recorded in the Kyiv region.

SUMY



Tuesday, November 28

3:42 PM: The Russian army shelled the civilian infrastructure of the city of Seredyna-Buda in Sumy Oblast. There are wounded and dead,

including a child.

- The prosecutor's office of the Sumy Region informed about this.
- "_The bodies of two dead women and two wounded men were recovered from the rubble. A man and his 7-year-old stepdaughter were also injured in their own car. Later, the girl died in the hospital ," the report says.

KHARKIV



Tuesday, November 28

6:04 PM: Law enforcement officers detained the driver who hit two servicemen of the Armed Forces of Ukraine in the Kharkiv region, Kharkiv

Regional Prosecutor's Office.

• On November 22, a broken down car of the Ukrainian military, who were trying to repair it, was parked on the side of the road.

- The suspect did not take into account the road conditions, did not take measures to reduce speed in time and hit two men.
- One of the servicemen died on the spot, the other died in hospital three days later.

7:06 PM: Border guards raised the Ukrainian flag at the Budarka checkpoint on the border with the Russian Federation, — DPSU.

 This checkpoint is located directly on the state border and has not been operating since the full-scale invasion of the Russian Federation.

DONETSK



Wednesday, November 29

9:54 AM: 7 people were injured and 5 infrastructure objects were damaged as a result of Russian shelling in the Toretsk community of

the Donetsk region.

• This was announced by the head of the OVA Igor Moroz.

11:36 AM: The Russian army has significantly "increased activity" in the Tauri direction over the past day, but the Armed Forces of Ukraine "firmly maintain their defense" near Avdiivka.

- This was reported by the commander of the direction Oleksandr Tarnavskyi.
- During the day, the Russian Federation conducted 56 combat clashes, carrying out 1,006 artillery strikes, 17 airstrikes and 4 missile strikes. The Armed Forces destroyed 48 units of Russian equipment, mainly drones.

Tuesday, November 28

1:49 PM: Explosions rang out in the Central district of the temporarily occupied Mariupol, the mayor's advisor Petro Andryushchenko reported.

 _"There are traces of anti-aircraft fire in the sky directly from the residential buildings of the city," Andryushchenko added.

DNIPRO



Tuesday, November 28

5:29 PM Dnipro RMA: Ukrainian soldiers shot down an enemy drone in Kryvorizka district.

11:04 PM: Aviation missile in the direction of the Dnipro, the Air Force reports.

KHERSON



Tuesday, November 28

5:10 PM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in temporarily occupied Skadovsk.

5:46 PM: Heavy explosions are heard in Kherson, reports the head of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Roman Mrochko.

MYKOLAIV



Tuesday, November 28

7:10 PM: The Ukrainian military destroyed the Merlin-VR Russian reconnaissance UAV in the Mykolaiv region.

ODESA



Tuesday, November 28

10:34 PM: Odesa region - missile danger, the Air Force reports.

Rockets between Odesa and Mykolaiv regions.

CHERKASY



Tuesday, November 28

8:40 PM: The Air Force reports that an attack UAV in the area of the city of Cherkassy.

Attacks on Civilians and Civilian Infrastructure from 12:00 November 28 to 12:00 November 29 2023

Civilia n Casual ties	Killed	3	Wound ed	3	Land Mine Injuries	0
Strike Numb ers	rocket/ UAV strikes 2	0	bomb strikes	8	artillery or mortar strikes	270
Physic al Damag e	Reside ntial	0	Comme rcial Propert y	0	Public/In frastruct ure	0

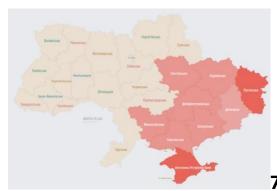
VISUAL CHRONOLOGY OF REGIONAL ROCKET, DRONE, ARTILLERY, MORTAR AND BOMB ALARMS



3:30 PM



6:46 PM





7:56 PM



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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	Nov 24	Nov 25	Nov 26	Nov 27	Nov 28
Duration	9 years and 9 mont hs	After 639 days	After 640 days	After 641 days	After 642 days	After 643 days
Military Personnel Liquidated	14,45 3	322,90 0	323,76 0	324,83 0	326,44 0	327,58 0

Material Losses

Tanks	147	5496	5502	5513	5523	5538
Armored Personnel Carriers	1,314	10256	10263	10279	10285	10312
Artillery, Mortars, and Ballistic Rocket launchers	433	8737	8756	8781	8784	8818
Cruise Missiles		1564	1565	1565	1565	1567
Fighters Bombers	118	323	323	323	323	323

Helicopters	333	324	324	324	324	324
Drones		5800	5808	5901	5905	5944
Anti Aircraft Missile Batteries		595	596	597	597	600
Cargo/Fuel/ other transport	11,36 9	10230	10259	10288	10302	10348
Naval Vessels		22+(1 submar ine)	22+(1 submar ine)	22+(1 submar ine)	22+(1 submar ine)	22+(1 submar ine)
Specialized mobile electronic communicat ion and jamming, ballistic radars		1108	1108	1113	1113	1121

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