

News From Ukraine

Russian Invasion of Ukraine
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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!

From Bohdan

My initial thoughts about the information war written on March 4, 2022 (in *italics*).

"Information has played a significant part in this war. Prior to its onset President Biden abandoned western tactics of wait and see in the information war. Biden wrong footed Russia by revealing intelligence of Russia's military buildup on Ukraine's borders. Russia sought to retake the initiative by whining about imminent Ukrainian NATO ascension. This was a patent fabrication and the more Russia faced clear messages that Ukraine was not on any track to NATO the more egregious became the story of NATO's and America's threat to Russian security.

Russia failed to set the scene prior to initiating its attack. It also acquiesced to Chinese concerns about bad publicity during the Olympics and postponed invading until after their conclusion.

Ukraine's government was no better than the Russian one as it minimized the possibility of an invasion. Instead of using the time that Biden bought Ukraine, Zelensky focused on his approval ratings. Ten days prior to the invasion he offered Ukrainians over sixty a free smartphone if they vaccinated. Concurrently he revived his campaign pledge of managing policy through electronically conducted referendums thereby bypassing parliament.

Fortunately for Ukraine Zelensky's experience as an actor metamorphosed from a minus into a plus within hours of the invasion. Also, Ukraine's civic freedom meant that its communication horizon was full of competing independent sources. Today Zelensky has

done a magnificent job of communicating Ukraine's resolve and courage to the rest of the world and to Ukrainians.

Ukrainians are very well informed about events. I use three Telegram channels, two Viber channels, about six Whats App groups, plus the internet to follow what's going on. Ukraine's television channels have stopped competing with each other to deliver the news and instead jointly run a 24 hour news broadcast.

There is so much fresh information available in Ukraine regarding events that the only experience that comes close is sitting at a traders desk with six independent screens and lots of market volatility.

The information war has more depth than this. Zelensky took control of communicating Ukraine's position. As a result he relinquished trying to manage everything else that is happening in the country. Ukraine's military is running the war effort. Locally elected officials and volunteers are running civil defense and acting within the military chain of command. Volunteers are providing support – food, medical supplies and services to the military and to those like pensioners and invalids that cannot take care of themselves. Ukraine, not its military, is at war with the invaders.

The situation in Russia is different. As of yesterday, there is no independent media left in Russia, and there are no independent opinions other than official opinions. The Russian government is telling its people that there is no war in Ukraine, only a special operation to extend the border of the Donetsk and Luhansk pseudo republics to the borders of the Donetsk and Luhansk Oblasts. Russia claims that the widespread destruction of civilian housing and infrastructure is being done by the Ukrainian Military. Russia claims that they have lost five hundred soldiers. Individuals with opposite views are being arrested and given automatic 15 day sentences.

As of yesterday 8,000 such individuals were arrested at peace demonstrations. Total control of domestic information is not working. Primarily because the internet and mobile communication Voice over Internet Protocol systems such as What's App, Viber, Telegram, Signal and others allow direct uncensored international communication. Ukraine is using this to its advantage. All captured Prisoners of War are asked to call home and explain to their mothers and relatives where they are and what they are doing. The mothers, wives and or other relatives are then told to come and take their loved ones home. This creates a confrontation between Russians and their government."

Now as we near the two year mark independant news - information, remains key to Ukraine's chances of winning. The clear and unambiguous statement two days ago by Ukraine's military commander that the war may have reached an impasse contrasts with the message from Russia's military, unchanged since day one, "we are on track, we are meeting objectives with minimal losses."

My first question is whether revealing intelligence is information or manipulation.

[“How Putin’s rule will end - as Russia Collapses Around Him”](#)/Defense in Depth – The Telegraph

This video comes out every Thursday, and it lasts around 9 minutes. Is turning Russian bakeries into factories to manufacture drones an indication that Russia is collapsing? I think whether Putin orders another mobilization, possibly after the Russian Presidential election next March, may be another indicator.

News From the Battlefield

Gen. Zaluzhny’s Essay – In his essay, he said that the fighting has reached a stalemate, with each side reaching a technological parity. Zaluzhny said that for Ukraine to gain the advantage that Ukraine needs the following:

- Air Superiority
- Improved electronic warfare capability
- Improved counter-battery capability (detecting where the firing comes from and returning fire before the Russians can move)
- Breaching equipment
- More reserves

Yesterday, George Barros from the Institute for the Study of War, in an interview with the Telegraph, mentioned almost all the same needs.

In today’s Daily Telegraph podcast, 3 of their reporters analyzed Gen. Zaluzhny’s essay. They ended the discussion by pointing out two subjects that Zaluzhny didn’t mention, morale and partisans. Yesterday, I mentioned that in the interview with George Barros the question of partisans wasn’t discussed, either. Today the group said they believed that Ukraine’s morale remained high. The military experts all say that maintaining high morale is critical to victory.

To these, I would add 2 more matters that Gen. Zaluzhny didn’t address in his essay, Ukraine’s success in the Black Sea and marginalizing Crimea. Ukraine has largely driven Black Sea Fleet away from its coast and it has re-established the grain corridor. Crimea has become a dangerous place – for Russia. Russia can no longer use the port of Sevastopol, and their air bases and logistics nodes are being regularly hit. Giving the coup-de-grace to the Kerch Bridge seems only a matter of time.

So, given all these factors, is there a stalemate? To me, the fighting along the front looks more like a game of whac-a-mole, with both sides popping up in new places, or resuming action in places where they tried before. The net effect may be little or no movement along the front overall, but it is hardly a stalemate.

Let’s review the bidding (from north to south):

- Around Kupiansk - both sides are pushing in different areas.
- South of Bakhmut - Ukraine is advancing albeit slowly.
- Avdiivka – Russia appears to be pouring in troops and making slow advances but, according to George Barros said yesterday, Avdiivka is in little danger of falling. Yesterday, according to the Russian Defense Ministry, Russia lost 1,030 troops, the second-highest number that I can remember next to the 1,300 lost a few days ago. Most of the losses likely took place around Avdiivka.
- Marinka – Russia has launched attacks but with no effect.
- Vulhedar - As described in the [“Latest Denys,”](#) Russia launched an attack yesterday that failed badly with significant losses. Last winter Russia launched an offensive against Vulhedar with similar results to their latest effort.
- Robotyne – Ukraine continues to advance, slowly, through extensive mine fields that, according to the experts from the Telegraph, are up to 20 km. wide.

- The Left Bank of the Dnipro. Ukraine continues to move troops across the river. Apparently, they have 40,000 troops on the Right Bank. Given all the other actions going on, it would seem doubtful that Ukraine would have that many troops along the Right Bank, if they weren't intending to use them in a major crossing. This number likely compares favorably to the number of troops that Ukraine used last year, in liberating Kherson City. The new Russian commander of the Kherson Sector was nearly killed, in an ATACMS strike on his headquarters on the Strilkove Spit, a finger of land that parallels the east coast of the Crimean Peninsula.

Given the comparative size of the 2 armies, I would've thought that it would be impossible for Ukraine to engage in 7 different actions at once, plus keeping a substantial number of troops in Kherson for who-knows-what, and still be able to advance, however slowly, in other areas. But, as my paternal grandmother liked to say, here they are.

It is admirable that in his essay Gen. Zaluzhny was not only honest with his superiors, with the Ukrainian people and, with his Western supporters, by stressing that the ground offensive has not gone as fast as everyone would like. It is doubly admirable in that Zaluzhny, through his essay, runs the risk of having his American Congressional opponents using his essay as a pretext for getting more support for withdrawing aid. He must believe that the odds of his supporters doubling down and giving Gen. Zaluzhny what he's asking for are greater than his opponents being successful in withholding support. I think Zaluzhny is right, and he's making a sound bet.

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Abbreviations:

RMA = Regional Military Administration SBU = Security Service of Ukraine

RASHISTS = russian Facists/all russian invaders

INTERNATIONAL

Friday, November 3

8:01 AM: The US introduced new sanctions against suppliers of military technology to Russia, — Ministry of Finance.

8:01 AM: The Philippines' foreign ministry has accused China of trespassing in its waters after an incident involving the two countries' warships, Reuters.

Thursday, November 2

1:23 PM: Nestle listed as international war sponsors, National Anti-Corruption Agency.

- The reason was the continuation of Nestle's work in the Russian Federation, the supply of products and the expansion of the domestic production base. By the beginning of 2022, the company had 7 factories in Russia.
- In October 2022, the company imported technical equipment to the territory of Russia under the guise of dry milk mixture.

2:08 PM: Germany handed over another package of military aid to Ukraine, according to the website of the German government.

- The aid package included:
 - 12 armored personnel carriers;
 - 7 Primoco ONE drones;
 - 2 AMPS protection systems for helicopters;
 - 5 surface drones and 10 thousand safety glasses;

- 32 terminals for satellite communication and PCB-printer (3D);
- 5 heavy-duty tractors and 4 semi-trailers;
- 12 MAN TGS trucks;
- 30 thousand sets of winter clothes.

2:28 PM: On the border with Poland, traffic may be complicated for trucks due to a strike by Polish transporters, — DPSU.

- "_According to the available information, a long campaign is planned, which may start from November 3_" the message reads.
- Polish carriers intend to block the movement of freight transport, which will follow in the direction of checkpoints "Yagodin-Dorohusk", "Krakivets-Korchova", "Rava-Ruska-Hrebene".

2:36 PM: Ukrainians in Poland can order the delivery of a driver's license by Ukrposhta, — the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine.

- Citizens of Ukraine abroad also have the opportunity to renew their driver's license in the divisions of SE "Dokument" in Poland, Turkey, Spain and Germany.
- "_Soon there will also be an opportunity to re-register a car, motorcycle or moped in a few clicks on a smartphone_" the press service of the Ministry of Internal Affairs notes.

3:25 PM: Republican group urges Biden to give Ukraine longer-range ATACMS, — Reuters.

- "_Ukraine's need for means of deep destruction remains urgent, especially for the destruction of targets throughout Crimea_" the Republicans' letter says.

3:43 PM: The International Court of Arbitration in The Hague has ordered Russia to pay \$267 million in damages to the Ukrainian company DTEK.

- DTEK filed a corresponding lawsuit back in 2017 after Russia seized assets in the illegally annexed Crimea.
- The arbitral award is enforceable under the 1958 New York Convention.

4:00 PM press service of the Ministry of Infrastructure: the European Investment Bank will allocate €450 million to Ukraine for the restoration of critical infrastructure.

- The funds will be allocated to two projects:
 - the first is aimed at financing critically important social and urban infrastructure;
 - the second — on critically important water infrastructure.

4:22 PM: Cyprus has joined the talks on security guarantees for Ukraine.

- This was announced by the President of Ukraine Volodymyr Zelenskyi.
- "_Cyprus became the 30th country to join. We will continue together to strengthen European security and deepen bilateral cooperation_" - writes the president.

5:02 PM: The USA introduced a new package of sanctions against the Russian Federation, more than 30 individuals and almost 200 legal entities were subject to restrictions.

- This was reported by the US Ministry of Finance.
- It is noted that sanctions were imposed against banks, developers of "Lancet", government officials of the Russian Federation, as well as citizens of Ireland, Switzerland, Cyprus, Sweden, Latvia and Turkey.

5:47 PM: The president of Moldova accused the Russian Federation of "buying" voters in local elections, — Reuters.

5:47 PM: The IDF has launched an operation to destroy Hamas tunnels in the Gaza Strip, The Times of Israel.

5:47 PM: The German company is ready to resume production of Taurus long-range missiles as soon as possible, MBDA Deutschland.

6:13 PM: Latvia has banned driving cars with Russian registration, says the website of the Seimas.

- If such a vehicle is not taken out of the country by the end of a certain period, it will be confiscated and handed over to Ukraine.
- An exception is made only for cars crossing the territory of Latvia in transit.

6:31 PM: The Israeli army entered Gaza City, the IDF.

- "The forces are in the heart of the northern part of Gaza, operating in Gaza city, surrounding it, deepening (offensive - ed.) and achieving success", - Chief of the General Staff Hertzvi Halevi.

7:15 PM: House Speaker Mike Johnson will introduce a package to Congress that will include funding for aid to Ukraine and protecting its own borders.

- The speaker announced this at a press conference.
- According to him, the combination of aid to Ukraine and protection of the border with Mexico is correct, as it will be possible to obtain bipartisan agreement on these issues.

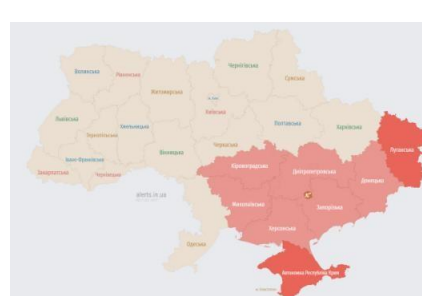
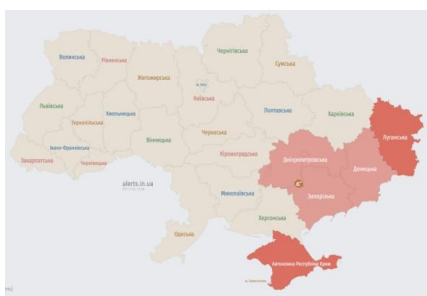
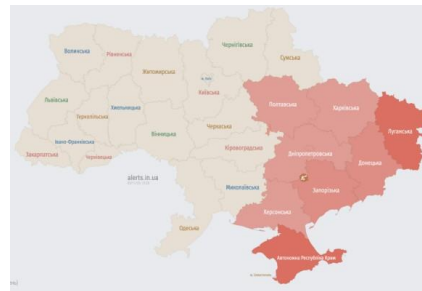
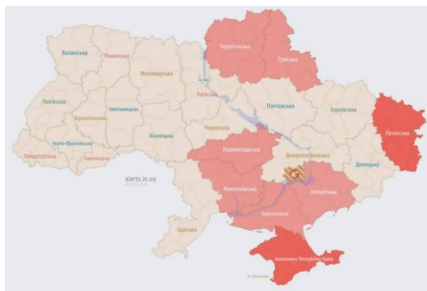
9:15 PM: The United States is set to announce on November 3 a new \$425 million military aid package for Ukraine, Reuters reports

- It will include anti-UAV assets and munitions, however, it will most likely not carry additional ATACMS missiles.

11:56 PM: A new trend has appeared in social networks. People from all over the world dance the traditional Ukrainian hopak.

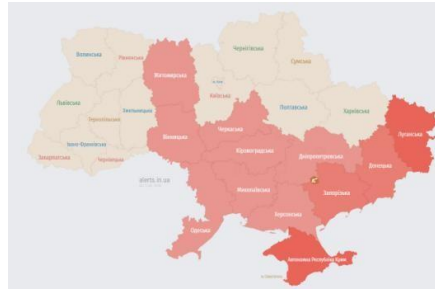
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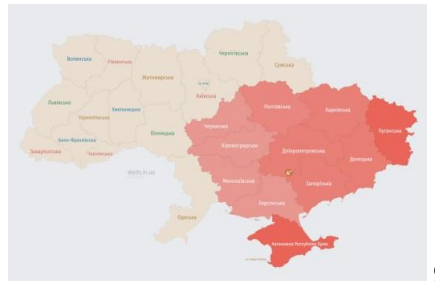
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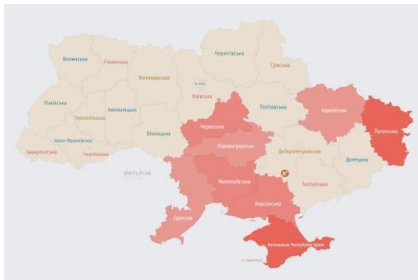
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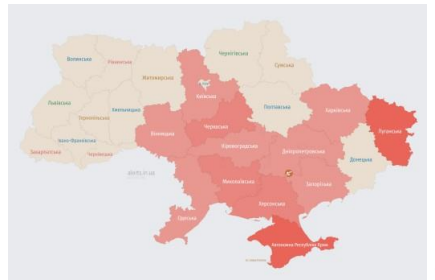
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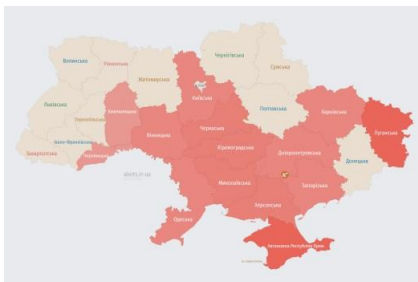
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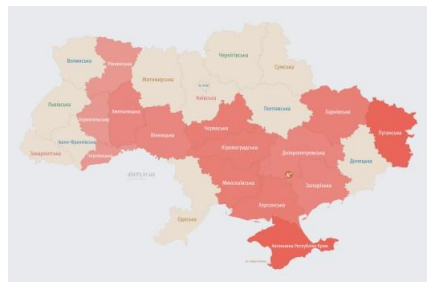
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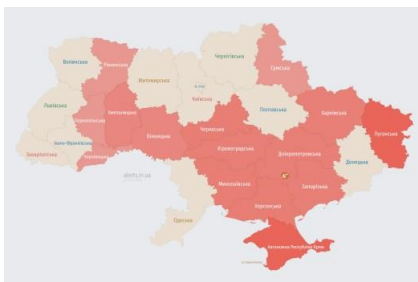
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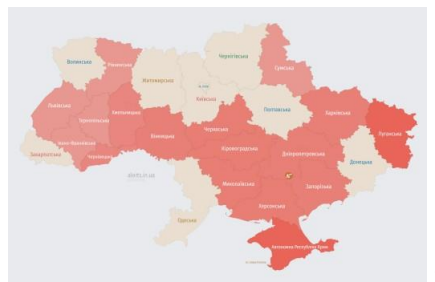
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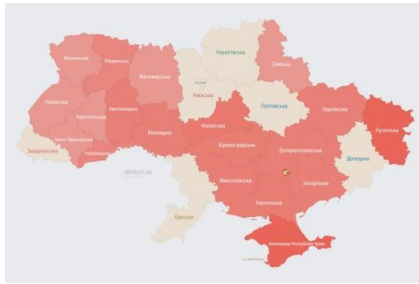
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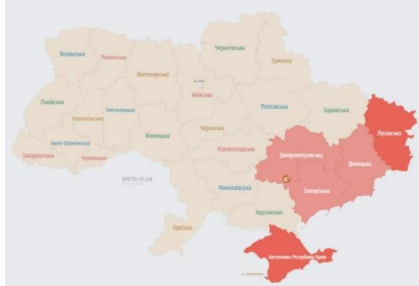
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Friday, November 3

12:23 AM: Explosions are heard in Vinnytsia and Kyiv regions, subscribers report. Previously - air defense work. We are waiting for official information.

7:15 AM: Summary of the General Staff as of 06:00 November 3:

- During the day of November 2, there were 50x combat engagements. The enemy launched a total of 7x missile and 70x air strikes, 93x MLRS attacks at the positions of Ukrainian troops and various settlements.
- Also, on the night of November 3, Russian occupants launched yet another strike on Ukraine, using 38x Shahed-136/131 attack UAVs, and 1x Kh-59 air-launched guided missile. Ukrainian air defense forces and means destroyed 24x attack UAVs and 1x Kh-59 guided missile.
- Air strikes hit Mohrytsya (Sumy oblast), Petropavlivka, Kurylivka, Pishchane, Kharkiv oblast), Serebryanske forestry (Luhansk oblast), Vyimka, Spirne, Klishchiivka, Pivdenne, Novobakhmutivka, Avdiivka, Maryinka, Novomykhailivka, Sukhi Yaly, Vodyane, Staromaiorske (Donetsk oblast), Novodarivka, Novodanylivka, Robotyne (Zaporizhzhia oblast), Respublikanets, Antonivka, Novokairy, Prydniprovsk, and Tyahynka (Kherson oblast).
- More than 100x settlements in Chernihiv, Sumy, Kharkiv, Luhansk, Donetsk, Zaporizhzhia, Kherson, and Mykolayiv oblasts came under artillery fire.
- During the day of November 2, Ukrainian Air Force launched 13x air strikes on the concentrations of troops, weapons and military equipment, and 2x air strikes on anti-aircraft missile systems of the adversary.
- The Ukrainian missile troops hit 1x command post, 4x concentrations of troops, weapons, and military equipment, 1x electronic warfare station, 1x ammunition depot, 8x artillery systems, and 1x other important target of the Russian invaders.

Khortytsia operational-strategic group

Kupyansk axis: the enemy conducted unsuccessful assault operations in the vicinity of settlements of Synkivka, Petropavlivka, and Ivanivka (Kharkiv oblast), where Ukrainian defenders repelled around 10x attacks of the adversary.

Bakhmut axis: the occupiers made an unsuccessful attempt to regain the lost ground in the vicinities of Klishchiivka and Andriivka. The Ukrainian defenders repelled around 10x attacks in that area. Also,

the adversary conducted unsuccessful assault operations near Pivdenne (Donetsk oblast). At the same time, 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: with the air support, the enemy keeps trying to encircle Avdiivka, but the Ukrainian soldiers are standing their ground and inflicting major losses on the adversary. The occupiers' offensive actions near the settlements of Stepove, Tonenke, Sjeverne, and Pervomaiske (Donetsk oblast) were unsuccessful. The Ukrainian Forces repelled around 10x enemy attacks in that area.

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

ċ: the adversary conducted unsuccessful assault operations near Prechystivka and Staromaiorske (Donetsk oblast).

9:31 AM: The Cabinet of Ministers submitted to the Verkhovna Rada the draft law on the state budget-2024, prepared for the second reading.

- This was announced by the permanent representative of the Cabinet of Ministers in the Verkhovna Rada, Taras Melnychuk.
- The revenue part of the general fund increased by UAH 22.1 billion, the Ministry of Finance of Ukraine added.

9:48 AM: “_There were about forty “shaheeds” that night. More than half were shot down. Our aviation, anti-aircraft fighters, mobile fire groups - thank you, soldiers, for every shot down!_” - Volodymyr Zelenskyi about the night attack of the Russians.

11:13 AM: Due to Russian aggression in Ukraine, 1,711 objects of cultural infrastructure were damaged or destroyed.

- This was reported by the Ministry of Culture and Information Policy of Ukraine.
- In total, the following were affected: clubs – 844, libraries – 603, art education institutions – 133, museums and galleries – 100, theaters, cinemas and philharmonics – 31.

11:33 AM: A new service was launched in Diya: payment of a fine for an administrative offense.

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

11:50 AM: People's deputy of Ukraine beat an 18-year-old girl to death in Zhytomyr district, the Ministry of Internal Affairs.

- According to the information of "Ukrainian Pravda" in the law enforcement agencies, the driver turned out to be People's Deputy from "Batkivshchyna" Andrii Nikolayenko.
- Investigative teams are currently working at the scene. Elucidation of all circumstances is ongoing.

Thursday, November 2

12:13 PM: The SBU exposed the leaders of the AllatRa pseudo-religious sect for anti-Ukrainian activities

- AllatRa members en masse called on local residents to join the sect and spread Kremlin ideas. They campaigned for the Russians to carry out massive rocket-bomb attacks on the civilian infrastructure of Ukrainian cities.

- While in one of the European countries, they continued to remotely manage their criminal organization in Ukraine. Perpetrators face up to 15 years or life imprisonment with confiscation of property.

12:46 PM: "There was an attempt by the enemy to advance in the Ugledarsky direction, but our soldiers stopped it, inflicting heavy losses on the enemy. Defensive actions in Avdiivka and our offensive operations in the south are also ongoing," Zelenskyi said according to the results of the daily selector.

- There were reports from the Ministry of Defense on the arrival of shells, missiles, and equipment, and intelligence reports on the situation at the front, on the international arena, and on the state of the enemy.
- Positive dynamics in the work of the "grain corridor" for October were also noted. The insurance format for ships is being finalized.

1:57 PM: The higher anti-corruption court declared People's Deputy Yaroslav Dubnevich on international wanted list, — Anti-corruption Center.

- He is accused in the case of losses of Ukrzaliznytsia amounting to UAH 93 million
- On October 8, he crossed the border of Romania with Hungary, his further whereabouts are unknown.

4:06 PM: The higher anti-corruption court left the former chairman of the Supreme Court Vsevolod Knyazev in custody until December 9, — mass media.

5:08 PM: The Armed Forces have already received 240 cars with the assistance of the Favbet Foundation

- These are primarily four-wheel drive SUVs that increase the mobility of Ukrainian units.

5:29 PM: Ukrainian soldiers destroyed another Russian Su-25 attack aircraft.

- Oleksandr Tarnavskyi, the commander of the operational-strategic group of troops "Tavria", announced this.
- According to him, the Armed Forces of Ukraine continue to maintain their defense in the Avdiyiv direction.

6:00 PM: Ukraine has created a system to protect armored vehicles from Russian drones - Piranha AVD 360.

- This REBU complex creates a protective dome up to 600 meters around itself. Under the influence of the system, the copter or kamikaze drone cannot receive commands and transmit data.
- "_Piranha also suppresses satellite navigation systems, for example, the Russian GLONASS_," noted the head of the Ministry of Digital Affairs Mykhailo Fedorov.

6:50 PM: Volodymyr Zelenskyi met with the Minister of Defense of the Netherlands Kaisa Ollongren.

- During the meeting, further support from the Netherlands in strengthening the Ukrainian army and the security of the "grain corridor" were discussed.

7:03 PM: The electronic queue at the VLK is already available for all servicemen in military polyclinics, — the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine.

- "_One of the main advantages is that for the military, the need to come to the clinic at 8 in the morning and wait all day for an appointment with the right doctor disappears," the report says.
- On the basis of the records and the passing of the military medical commission, the representatives of the institutions analyze data on the workload and shortage of specialists.

7:33 PM: Summary of the General Staff as of 18:00 on November 2:

- During the day 38 combat clashes took place. The enemy launched 4 missile and 44 air strikes, fired 59 rocket salvo fire strikes at the positions of our troops and populated areas.
- Aviation of the Defense Forces made 13 strikes on the areas of concentration of personnel, weapons and military equipment and 2 - on the enemy's anti-aircraft missile systems.
- Units of the missile forces hit the command post, 3 areas of concentration of personnel, weapons and military equipment, EW station, ammunition warehouse, 8 artillery pieces, as well as another important enemy target.

8:32 PM: Volodymyr Zelenskyi in the evening briefing thanked the brigades that today achieved significant success in the Vugledar, Kupian and Avdiiv directions.

9:02 PM: Thanks to the SBU, two Russian informants who were spying on the positions of the Armed Forces and the National Guard in the north of Ukraine received 8 years in prison.

- "Also, enemy informants "leaked" the coordinates of energy-generating enterprises and information about their technical condition to the occupiers," the press service of the SBU writes.
- Security Service officers detained both attackers as a result of counter-sabotage measures in September 2022

9:51 PM: Air defense forces have shot down most of the drones and missiles that the Russians launched in October. This is evidenced by the infographic published by the Office of the President.

- In October, the Russians launched 243 Shahed drones over Ukraine. Of them, the air defense forces shot down 228. Out of 15 launched Kh-59 guided air missiles, Ukrainian soldiers shot down 11, and 8 out of 9 cruise missiles were shot down.

10:32 PM: "We have not recorded cases of embezzlement of military aid in Ukraine," - US Ambassador to Ukraine Bridget Brink

- According to her, Volodymyr Zelenskyi, the government and the parliament are taking many steps, including investigating the cases of very high-ranking officials and members of the parliament, to fight corruption.
- She emphasized that a third of the embassy's staff is focused on aid control.

10:54 PM: Ukraine will need 757 years to eliminate the damage caused by mine contamination of the territory, GLOBSEC analysts report

- As of November 1, at least 264 civilians were killed by landmines, and more than 830 were maimed and wounded. Moreover, these data do not take into account the territory temporarily controlled by Russian troops.

11:42 PM: Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine Dmytro Kuleba held a meeting with his Turkish counterpart Hakan Fidan.

- In particular, they discussed the security situation in the Black Sea region and the export of Ukrainian grain to world markets.

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Friday, November 3

8:01 AM: The Russian authorities avoid imposing penalties for the anti-Semitic pogrom in Makhachkala (Dagestan) because they are afraid of inflaming discontent with the actions of the Kremlin, — ISW.

10:35 AM: The Crimean bridge remains a legitimate military target of the Armed Forces of Ukraine, Andriy Yusov, a representative of the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications of Ukraine, said.

- Answering the question whether the bridge will be destroyed, the representative of GUR said that "it is simply unnecessary."
- He also added that not all Russian supplies go exclusively through the Crimean bridge.

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12:29 PM: The temporarily occupied Energodar was attacked by kamikaze drones, rosZMI reported.

- The so-called "head of the administration" of the occupied Zaporizhzhia region, Volodymyr Rogov, reported that the number of kamikaze drones had reached ten.

1:04 PM: As a result of the strikes of the Armed Forces, the Russian Federation could lose at least 4 long-range air defense systems in a week, British intelligence said.

- The ministry spoke about the existence of a "real probability" that as the Russians replace the destroyed systems in Ukraine, the Russian Federation will weaken air defense in other areas on the front.

1:36 PM: F-16 fighter jets are now less useful, because the Russian Federation has improved its air defense, - Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of Ukraine Valery Zaluzhny in The Economist.

- According to him, the experimental version of the S-400 missile system, which was modernized by the Russians, can reach, for example, the borders of the city of Dnipro.

4:35 PM: The SBU reported the suspicion of Yulia Velichko, who headed the occupying "Ministry of Youth Policy of the People's Republic of China".

- Prior to that, she was an adviser to the leader of the LNR terrorist organization, the beekeeper, and campaigned for local youth to support the Russian invaders.
- The perpetrator faces up to 10 years in prison, comprehensive measures are underway to bring her to justice.

5:47 PM: Putin signs law to revoke ratification of Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty.

5:47 PM: North Korea closes embassies around the world over arms sales to Russia, Bloomberg

7:50 PM: Russia's "Wagner" group may transfer air defense to the "Hezbollah" group.

- This is reported by The Wall Street Journal with reference to US intelligence.
- According to a US official, Washington has not yet confirmed the fact of sending the system, but the US has already deployed an aircraft carrier in the Eastern Mediterranean to strengthen the deterrence of Hezbollah.

10:16 PM: after the death of Yevgeny Prigozhin, Russia creates a new structure of the "Wagner" PVK, which will take over extensive operations in Africa.

- The Wall Street Journal published her scheme.
- "Wagners" in Africa were replaced by two other private military companies - "Redout" and "Convoy". Deputy Defense Minister Yunus-Bek Yevkurov heads the structure responsible for Russian operations in Africa.

REGIONS

KHARKIV



Friday, November 3

12:42 AM: Explosions are heard in Kharkiv, subscribers report. We are waiting for official information.

1:00 AM: In Kharkiv, there are flights in one of the districts of the city on civilian objects, the mayor of the city reported.

- There is a fire. Information about the victims is being clarified.

4:07 AM: the Russian Federation struck about 10 "shahed" strikes on Kharkiv, the prosecutor's office reported.

- Law enforcement officers recorded damage to private houses, an educational institution and a car in Osnovyansk and Shevchenkivskyi districts of the city.

8:25 AM: The State Emergency Service published footage of the liquidation of the consequences of Russian strikes in the Kharkiv region.

- Rescuers extinguished 5 fires during the night, there were no casualties.

9:26 AM: A 29-year-old man who was injured on October 21 as a result of a Russian missile attack on the Novaya Poshta terminal died in the hospital this morning.

- This was reported in the Kharkiv Regional Prosecutor's Office.
- The number of dead increased to 8, another 15 were injured.

DONETSK



Friday, November 3

9:59 AM Donetsk RMA: On November 2, the Russians wounded 3 residents of Donetsk region.

- Due to Russian shelling in the region, a kindergarten, a club, private houses and high-rise buildings were damaged.

Thursday, November 2

9:36 PM: The 47th Brigade delivers a crushing blow to another Russian column on the northern flank of Avdiivka.

ZAPORIZHIA



Friday, November 3

8:42 AM Zaporizhia RMA: Last day the Russians struck 172 strikes on 20 towns and villages of the Zaporizhia region.

- 14 reports were received about the destruction of residential buildings and infrastructure facilities. Civilians were not injured.

10:13 AM: The SBU detained a FSB "mole" who settled in Zaporizhzhia OVA in order to "spill" information about the Armed Forces of Ukraine in the south of Ukraine

- While in the position of chief specialist of the OVA's cyber security department, he tried to covertly obtain secret information about the deployment of the Armed Forces and defense purchases in the region. He also tried to identify repair bases and other logistics centers of Ukrainian defenders on the territory of the regional center.

- It has been established that in September of this year, on his own initiative, he offered the Russians his "help" in the war against Ukraine. Now he faces up to 12 years in prison.

KHERSON



Friday, November 3

8:30 AM Kherson RMA: In the Kherson region, the Russians launched 108 shellings over the past day. In the city of Kherson, 71 projectiles were fired - OVA.

- 13 arrivals of the KAB in the settlements of the Kherson region were recorded. The hits were in the Beryslav and Kherson districts.
- "_We aimed at the residential quarters of the settlements of the region; the territory of an educational institution and an enterprise in Beryslav district; plant in Kherson. 1 person died, another 4 were injured_".

MYKOLAIV



Thursday, November 2

12:18 PM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in the Mykolaiv region.

ODESA



Friday, November 3

8:20 AM Odesa RMA: At night, the Russians once again attacked Odesa.

- "_Our air defense forces destroyed two "Shahed-131/136" drones. Unfortunately, there are hits on the technical territory of the infrastructure object in the region. There were no casualties or significant damage," - Oleg

Kiper, head of the OVA.

Thursday, November 2

6:42 PM: Odesa region - a threat of using ballistic weapons, — PS of the ZSU.

- An air alert has been announced in the region.

6:47 PM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in Odesa region.

8:19 PM: the Russians attacked Odesa from the temporarily occupied Crimea with two Onyx-type missiles, reports OK "Pivden".

- There were no injuries or damage.

KIROVOHRAD



Thursday, November 2

11:18 PM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in Kropyvnytskyi.

VINNYTSIA



Thursday, November 2

11:54 PM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in Vinnytsia region.

IVANO FRANKIVSK



Friday, November 3

8:37 AM: In the Ivano-Frankivsk region, at around 6 in the morning, the debris of a downed drone fell in the Kaluska district.

- "_The fire in the dormitory has been extinguished_" said Ihor Klimenko, the head of the Ministry of Internal Affairs.

ZAKARPATTIA



Thursday, November 2

2:52 PM: In Transcarpathia, border guards detained 2 men who wanted to swim across the Tisza River on inflatable "doughnuts", - DPSU.

- They were helped by two teenagers who, for \$100, agreed to take them to the river and point them in the direction of Romania.
- "_The violators have been reported to the National Police, the organizer of the transfer has been established_" the agency writes.

LVIV



Friday, November 3

2:13 AM Lviv RMA: In the Lviv region, air defense is working.

8:50 AM: In the Lviv region, 5 hits to a critical infrastructure object were recorded, — head of the OVA, Maksym Kozytskyi.

- 11 drones were destroyed over Lviv region. Without victims and victims. There was a fire, which was quickly extinguished.

Attacks on Civilians and Civilian Infrastructure from 12:00 October 30 to 12:00 November 1 2023

Civilian Casualties	Killed	6	Wounded	18	Land Mine Injuries	0
Strike Numbers	rocket/UAV strikes	20	bomb strikes	18	artillery or mortar strikes	646
Physical Damage	Residential	65	Commercial Property	6	Public/Infrastructure	16

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 29	Oct 30	Oct 31	Nov 1	Nov 2
Duration	9 years and 9 months	After 609 days	After 610 days	After 611 days	After 612 days	After 623 days
Military Personnel Liquidated	14,453	299,940	300810	301,490	302,240	303,270

Material Losses

Tanks	147	5190	5211	5223	5241	5265
Armored Personnel Carriers	1,314	9775	9804	9834	9877	9901
Artillery, Mortars, and Ballistic Rocket launchers	433	8036	8071	8096	8142	8182
Cruise Missiles		1544	1546	1547	1549	1551
Fighters Bombers	118	321	321	321	322	322
Helicopters	333	324	324	324	324	324
Drones		5419	5440	5468	5488	5495
Anti Aircraft Missile Batteries		559	562	563	566	566
Cargo/Fuel/other transport	11,369	9555	9590	9624	9658	9691
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		1014	1016	1019	1032	1034

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