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Euromaidan Book (by Robert Homans)

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.

The book covers important aspects of how Euromaidan was run. In our email 2 days ago, we summarized how the book treats the subject of corruption. Today, we'll focus on how food service for the protestors was organized. Future emails will cover subjects including the organization behind the building of the barricades, the volunteer battalions, healthcare, 1st aid, and logistics and funding.

Food Preparation – “Food preparation for the protestors was organized around 3 kitchens, in City Hall, the Trade Union Building and, later, when it was occupied by protestors, Ukraine House. Professionals, all with experience operating large commercial kitchens, supervised all three kitchens. When the kitchens needed food, messages were sent out on Facebook® and other messaging apps, to individuals, food service suppliers and restaurants. The general public also provided food by going to City

Hall and other locations in Independence Square and dropping off their supply in designated locations.”

“Volunteers working in shifts conducted food preparation and distribution to the protestors. Some protestors prepared their own hot food and drinks in the open air, which left Independence Square covered with a perpetual column of smoke. At the time, the Daily Telegraph wrote an excellent account of life inside City Hall, along with a video.”

“Typical of the volunteers were E.S. and E.V. By day, E.S. and E.V. worked in the Sales Department at a 5-Star Kyiv hotel. After work they’d change out of their business attire, don their work clothes, and go to the kitchen in the basement of Kyiv City all to prepare sandwiches for the protestors. Elina and Elena were two of thousands of Ukrainians who did the same, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.”

We believe that the best way to understand how Ukraine is succeeding in its war with Russia, especially the critical nexus between civil society and armed forces, it is necessary to understand how Euromaidan was organized, and why it succeeded in forcing former President Yanukovich out of office. We hope that this book will be helpful in this regard. To purchase for \$25.00, please click on the link [HERE](#).

[News From the Battlefield \(Inside Russia\)](#)

“[Reporting From Ukraine](#)” widens his scope, to cover several recent strikes deep inside Russia. These include strikes against the rail connection inside Russia and thousands of miles from Ukraine, called the Baikal-Amur Mainline (“BAM”). The BAM was built in the 1970s, at approximately the same time as the Trans Alaska Pipeline. Russia uses the BAM to receive military supplies from China and N. Korea. Other strikes included a supply facility storing Iranian drones, and a tank manufacturing plant.

The most significant is the explosion inside the [Severomuysky Tunnel](#), at approximately 19km the longest tunnel in the Russian Federation. The tunnel is in Buryatia, a region of Russia that has sent thousands of soldiers to fight and die in Ukraine, including units that participated in the atrocities in Bucha and Irpin. According to Ukrainian sources, the explosives were placed on a train carrying diesel and aviation fuel.

A second explosion destroyed what is called the “[Devil’s Bridge](#)” a 35-meter-tall trestle that is part of a secondary line that is part of the BAM. Explosives were placed on a second train, also carrying fuel. Together, these two explosions have cut the rail connection between Russia, and China/North Korea.

From the reports it appears that the explosives were detonated by remote control, with the objective of not only destroying a train, but also destroying a tunnel and a trestle that will both be very difficult to repair. One question is how much local help that saboteurs had. As we have reported, Ukrainian 5th Columnists have been active throughout Russia since the end of Euromaidan. They may have also received help from local Buryats, who are getting annoyed by seeing how many of their compatriots are losing their lives in Ukraine.

Other strikes included a warehouse storing Iranian drones in Bryansk, a city near the Ukrainian border. Two other strikes included an aviation factory in Smolensk, not far from Ukraine, and a tank factory in Chelyabinsk, in Western Siberia. Together, these strikes are additional examples of Ukraine’s ability to strike inside Russia, anywhere and everywhere. There is not much Ukraine’s Western partners can do to deter them.

“[The Latest Denys](#)” focuses on Donetsk, specifically the fighting around the town of Marinka, southwest of Donetsk City. Since 2014 Marinka has been bisected by a Ukrainian defense line. As Denys reports, fighting around Marinka has been going on for nearly 10 years. At 5:55 into his video,

Denys shows the latest report from Oryx, covering equipment losses for each side. The latest Oryx report shows a nearly 4/1 ratio of Russian equipment losses to Ukraine's.

Russian Migration Into the Temporarily Occupied Areas of Ukraine

Recently, I had lunch with a friend of mine, an expert on Ukraine. He said that a Ukrainian Government official told him that Russia is moving thousands of Russians, including from Central Asia and the Caucasus, into temporarily occupied Ukraine. This will present a huge problem for Ukraine, after these territories are liberated, likely including a form of military occupation. Perhaps the pundits have been focused on Russia's abduction of Ukrainian children into Russia, and they've missed this story.

["Deaths in Gaza vs. Deaths in Ukraine"](#)/The Washington "Free Beacon"

The original article, entitled "The Gray Lady Quietly Retracts Yet Another Slander Against Israel," claims that losses in Gaza exceeds losses in Ukraine, especially for women and children. The "Gray Lady" refers to the New York Times. The Times later retracted this allegation.

Leaving aside the questionable reliability of the number of Palestinian deaths in Gaza, coming from the Hamas Ministry of Health, the article states that Ukraine's numbers come from a U.N. report that includes a caveat that its numbers may well be low. The U.N. Report doesn't include the approximately 20,000 Ukrainian deaths in the 83-day siege of Mariupol, nor does include the approximately 14,000 Ukrainian deaths in the 10 years of fighting along the Donbas Line of Contact.

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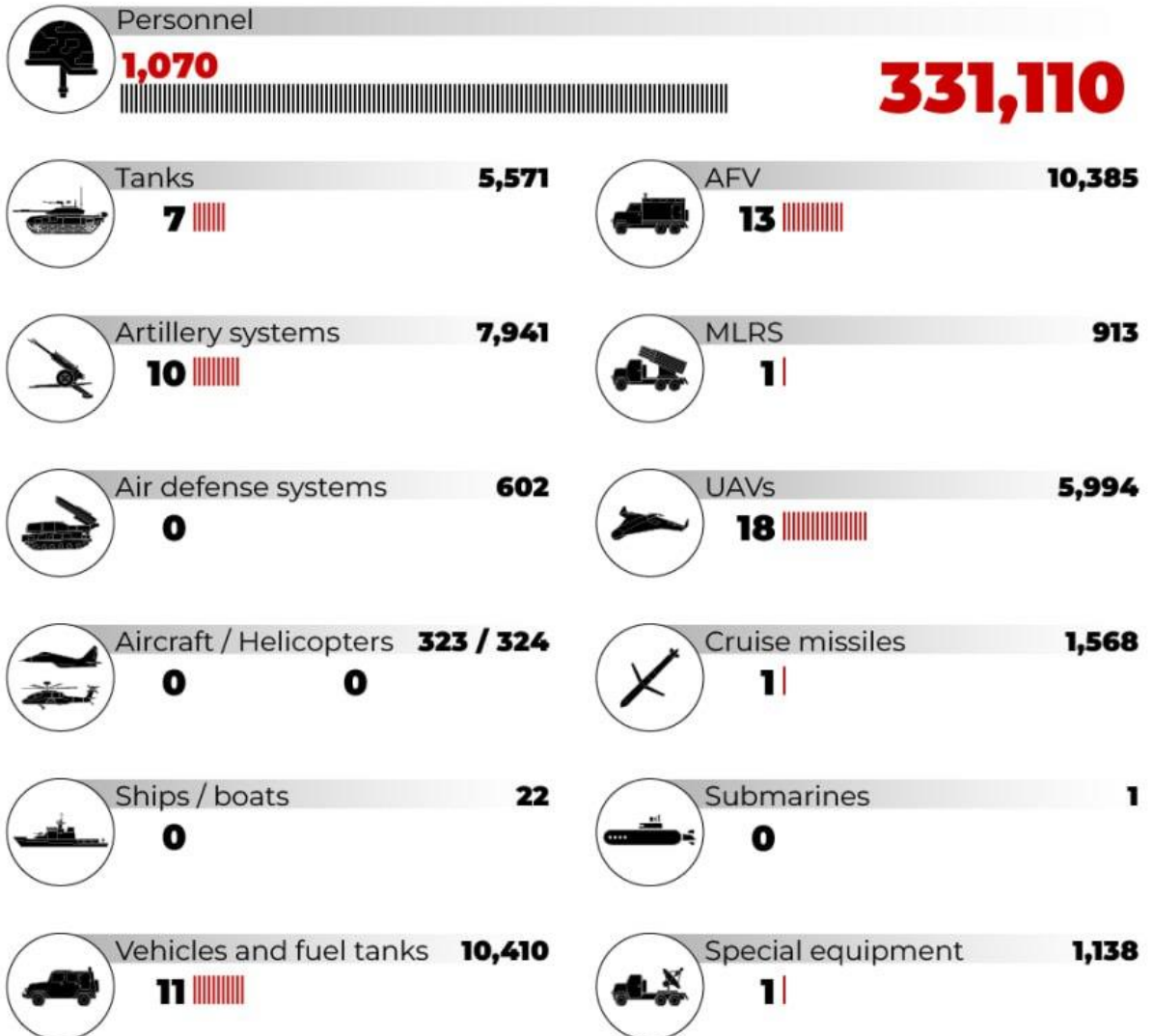
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Successful actions of the Ukrainian defense forces

Effective strikes by missile forces: **8**

Russia's losses

■ Manpower, 10 persons ■ Destroyed ■ Captured*



Sources: General Staff of the Armed Forces of Ukraine, WarSpotting, DeepState.

*Documented captured equipment.

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Saturday, December 2

6:01 AM: The Czech Parliament extended temporary protection for refugees from Ukraine.

- Temporary protection allows refugees to access public health insurance, education and the labor market. For its extension, according to the draft law, Ukrainians will first have to register electronically by March 15, 2024.

6:20 AM: Ship from China deliberately damaged gas pipeline in Baltic Sea - Finnish government.

- "I'm not a sea captain. But I think you'd find yourself dragging an anchor hundreds of kilometers behind you. I think there's every indication that it was done on purpose. But of course no one has admitted it yet ", - believes the Minister of European Affairs of Finland Anders Adlerkreutz.
- He adds that Finland should have "greater protection" of underwater infrastructure, for example for better surveillance of suspicious vessels.

7:01 AM: The US does not help Ukraine in attacks inside the Russian Federation: the White House renounced the explosions at BAM.

- The USA does not provide official comments regarding the detonation of trains on the Baikal-Amur Railway (BAM) and emphasizes that it does not provide the Ukrainian side with opportunities to conduct operations on the territory of the Russian Federation.
- "I cannot confirm these reports," said an official representative of the US administration.

7:40 AM: The White House called on the US Congress to immediately allocate funds for Ukraine.

- If the US Congress does not pass a bill on the allocation of funds for assistance to Ukraine by the end of the year, it will be extremely

difficult to continue supporting Kyiv at the required level, - said the coordinator of the US National Security Council, John Kirby.

- The coordinator of the US National Security Council added that due to the delay in the allocation of funding, the administration of US President Joe Biden is already forced to limit the volume of supplies to Ukraine.

Friday, December 1

1:55 PM: Another 146 Ukrainians have applied to evacuate from the Gaza Strip, most of them women and children.

- This was announced by the Ambassador of Ukraine to Israel Yevhen Korniychuk.
- According to the ambassador, the current task is to obtain a new permit as quickly as possible and to take these people to the territory of Egypt.

2:50 PM: This month's summit will be a crucial test of how far Budapest will go to undermine Kyiv's support from the EU, writes Politico.

- "The brewing political crisis will come to a head at a summit in mid-December, when EU leaders are due to make a historic decision to admit Ukraine to the 27-nation club and strike a key budget deal to throw a €50 billion lifeline into Kyiv's war-torn economy." believe in the edition.
- Meanwhile, Orban is demanding a freeze on the entire political and financial process until the leaders agree to a complete review of the EU's support for Kyiv.

2:50 PM: The Security Service of Ukraine blew up a rail link connecting Russia to China in a covert operation deep in enemy territory, Politico reports.

- The SBU set off several explosions in the Severomysk tunnel of the Baikal-Amur highway in Buryatia, located approximately 6,000 kilometers to the east of Ukraine, the publication writes, citing a high-ranking Ukrainian official who is directly aware of the operation.

3:30 PM: American defense startup Anduril Industries unveiled a new Roadrunner reusable interceptor drone.

- The founder of the company called the drone "something in between a reusable missile and an autonomous aircraft".
- Roadrunner is launched vertically from a mobile installation - in the future it searches for a target autonomously. After destroying an enemy drone, it lands and is almost immediately ready for new tasks.

3:51 PM: Ukrainian drivers, who are blocked at the Krakiwiec-Korchów checkpoint, have announced a hunger strike.

- According to the drivers, among them are fuel tankers and trucks with perishable products.
- "We wanted to take part in a peaceful action - negotiations with the protesters. The police blocked us. About 250 people on one side. We were not allowed to reach the protesters", one of the drivers said.

4:00 PM: The Netherlands handed over three modular Role 2 field hospitals and six medical evacuation vehicles to the Ukrainian border guards, — DPSU.

- Functionality of Role 2 mobile complexes:
 - 36 beds;
 - active ventilation, water supply adapted for winter conditions;
 - unit for medical personnel;
 - can be used as a stabilization point.

4:11 PM: Ukraine and Poland have agreed on the terms of partial unblocking of the border for the movement of trucks, — the Ministry of Infrastructure of Ukraine.

- The parties agreed:

- Opening of the checkpoint "Ugryniv — Dolgobychuv" _for the passage of empty trucks._
- Creation of _separate lanes for empty vehicles_ at the checkpoints "Yagodin — Dorogusk" and "Krakivets — Korchova" in the "eCherga" system.
- Launch of pilot registration in "eCherz" _immediately before crossing the border_ at the point "Nyzhankovychy - Malhovice" (for a period of one month).

4:23 PM: The presidents of Lithuania, Latvia and Poland refused to be photographed with Lukashenka in Dubai, LRT.

- "_It would be hypocritical to stand side by side with the head of state, which became a bridgehead for Russia's aggression against Ukraine, and as if there was no discussion about the future of the world and climate change_" said the President of Lithuania Gitanas Nauseda.

4:41 PM: Britain has contributed £20 million to the Trust Fund to support the reconstruction and economy of Ukraine.

- The press service of the Ministry of Economy of Ukraine writes about this.

5:26 PM: At 4:05 p.m., Slovak transporters began blocking the movement of trucks through the Vyshne-Nemetske checkpoint — DPSU.

- "_It is known that the transportation of humanitarian aid, other important cargoes, live animals, fuel and refrigerated cargoes will not be blocked_" , the message reads.
- The rest of the cargo leaving Slovakia will be allowed in a limited amount, 4 trucks per hour.

5:51 PM: Switzerland has "frozen" Russian assets worth \$8.8 billion, — Reuters.

5:51 PM: Seven-day truce between the Palestinian movement Hamas and Israel ends, fighting resumes in the Gaza Strip, The Times of Israel.

5:51 PM: Taiwan's security depends on the peaceful development of its relations with China, not on US weapons, Chinese Defense Ministry spokesman Wu Qian said.

5:51 PM: Orban believes that negotiations on Ukraine's accession to the EU should not even begin. Michel reacted.

- The Prime Minister of Hungary, Viktor Orbán, stated that the negotiations on Ukraine's accession to the EU do not meet the interests of Hungary and therefore should not be put on the agenda. Michel reacted. He said this in an interview with Radio Kossuth.
- "There are many questions to which we do not know the answers: Ukraine is in a state of war, and its legal system works differently than in a peaceful country," Orban said, adding that it is now impossible to know the size of the population of Ukraine, which they want to accept EU.

11:41 PM: German arms manufacturer Rheinmetall wants to start production of armored vehicles in Ukraine next year, the head of the company, Armin Pepperger, said.

- He said that he expects an agreement with Ukraine on the production of Fuchs armored personnel carriers and Lynx infantry fighting vehicles at the beginning of the year. And after that start production of Fuchs within 6-7 months, Lynx — 12-13 months.

11:57 PM: Finland will educate citizens on the rules of compliance with sanctions against the Russian Federation, — Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Finland.

11:57 PM: Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Finland, Hungary and Slovakia bought 30% more conversion services and 22% more nuclear enrichment services this year, according to a report by the European Atomic Energy Agency.

11:57 PM: The Belarusian Red Cross ceased to be a member of the International Federation of Red Cross Societies. This happened because of the deportation of Ukrainian children.

11:57 PM: The Estonian government is looking for legal mechanisms to deport people who wish to obtain citizenship of the Russian Federation, Estonian Prime Minister Kaya Kallas said.

8:09 AM: The lower house of the Czech parliament approved the possibility of extending temporary protection for Ukrainian refugees until the end of March 2025.

8:09 AM: NATO Secretary General Stoltenberg once again called on Turkish President Erdogan to approve Sweden's accession to NATO.

Saturday, December 2

7:40 AM: Summary of the General Staff as of 06:00 on December 2:

- During the day of December 1, there were 67x combat engagements. The enemy launched a total of 2x missile strike, 17x air strikes, 46x MLRS attacks at the positions of Ukrainian troops and various settlements. Moreover, since the beginning of the day, russian occupants have attacked Ukraine with 2x Kh-59 guided missiles and 12x attack UAVs of the Shahed-136/131 type. Ukrainian air defense forces shot down 1x Kh-59 guided missile and 8x attack UAVs. Unfortunately, the russian terrorist attacks have resulted in civilian casualties and injuries. Private residential buildings as well as other civilian infrastructure were destroyed and damaged.
- The operational situation in eastern and southern Ukraine remains difficult.
- Ukrainian Defense Forces continue to hold their ground on the left bank of the Dnipro River (Kherson oblast) and inflict fire on the enemy.

- During the day of December 1, Ukrainian missile troops hit 3x concentrations of troops, weapons and military equipment, and 5x ammunition depots of the Russian invaders.

Sivershchyna and Slobozhanshchyna axes: the adversary maintains its military presence in the areas of Russia bordering Ukraine. The enemy continues its sabotage and reconnaissance activities, shelling Ukrainian settlements from the territory of Russia and increases the density of minefields along the state border of Ukraine. Around 15x settlements came under enemy artillery and mortar fire, including Krasnyi Khutir (Chernihiv oblast), Prohres, Stepok (Sumy oblast), Udy, Ternova, Vovchansk, Varvarivka (Kharkiv oblast).

Kupyansk axis: the enemy conducted assault operations in the vicinities of Synkivka (Kharkiv oblast), and Stelmakhivka (Luhansk oblast). Ukrainian defenders repelled 9x attacks in the area. The invaders fired artillery and mortars at around 10x settlements, including Dvorichna, Synkivka, Petropavlivka, Ivanivka, Berestove (Kharkiv oblast).

Lyman axis: the invaders made assaults in the area of Serebrianske forestry (Luhansk oblast), where Ukrainian defenders repelled 7x attacks. The occupiers fired artillery and mortars at around 10x settlements, including Nevske, Bilohorivka (Luhansk oblast), Torske, Serebrianka, Verkhokamyanske, Spirne, Rozdolivka (Donetsk oblast).

Bakhmut axis: the invaders conducted offensives near Hryhorivka, Bohdanivka, Ivanivske, Klishchiivka and Andriivka (Donetsk oblast). Ukrainian defenders repelled 18x attacks in the area. More than 15x settlements, including Orikhovo-Vasylivka, Markove, Chasiv Yar, Klishchiivka, New York (Donetsk oblast), came under artillery and mortar fire.

Avdiivka axis: the invaders made assaults near south of Novokalynove, Stepove, Avdiivka, Sjeverne, Pervomaiske (Donetsk oblast), to no success. Ukrainian defenders repelled 16x attacks in the area. The enemy fired artillery and mortars at around 10x settlements, including Berdychi, Stepove, Avdiivka, Karlivka, Pervomaiske (Donetsk oblast).

Maryinka axis: the invaders made failed assaults with air support in the vicinity of Novomykhailivka (Donetsk oblast), The settlements of Hostre, Maryinka, Novomykhailivka, Pobjeda, Kostyantynivka (Donetsk oblast) were under artillery and mortar fire of the occupiers.

Shakhtarske axis: the adversary conducted no offensives. Around 10x settlements, including Vuhledar, Vodyane, Novoukrainka, Urozhaine, Makarivka, Rivnopil (Donetsk oblast), came under artillery and mortar fire.

Zaporizhzhia axis: the enemy made 10x attempts to regain lost ground in the vicinity of Robotyne and west of Verbove (Zaporizhzhia oblast), to no success. More than 20x settlements, including Temyrivka, Malynivka, Charivne, Robotyne, Stepove, Kamyanske (Zaporizhzhia oblast), came under artillery and mortar fire.

Kherson axis: the enemy fired artillery at the city of Kherson and the settlements of Ivanivka, Novotyahynka, Ponyativka, Antonivka (Kherson oblast).

7:55 AM: During the night, air defense forces destroyed 10/11 Shaheds and 1 guided air missile Kh-59, Air Force of the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

- Air defense destroyed an attack UAV within the Odesa region and a Kh-59 guided air missile in the Dnipropetrovsk region.

10:30 AM: Christmas and St. Nicholas were returned to Ukrainians. Historian and Guide Erwin Meaden

- The most famous tour guide of Ukraine, Erwin Meaden, talked about the symbolism of this year's Saint Nicholas Day and Armed Forces Day, whether Zaluzhny will bring gifts under the Christmas tree to Ukrainians, and what is the danger of Olivier and the irony of fate. About the Ukrainian cities that the Rashists consider their own, why is it important to know their history and have we gotten rid of the "fake"?
- Professional review by historian Erwin Meaden full video*:
<https://youtu.be/nv0bvUXOck>

10:45 AM: We achieved a very serious success: we deprived Russia of influence in the Black Sea. As for steps on the ground - we don't have enough power to achieve the desired results faster. But this does not mean that we should give up and give up. Russia will not wait for this. We are confident in our actions, we are fighting for ours - Volodymyr Zelenskyi in an interview with AP.

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12:02 PM: In Ukraine, the processes related to the passing of the Veterans Disabled Status (VLK), for wounded servicemen have been simplified, the Ministry of Defense.

- A wounded serviceman no longer needs to bring documents personally to the military unit after the decision of the VLK on leave or unfitness.
- Healthcare institutions will receive documents from military units and TCC and joint ventures through the electronic document management system.

12:29 PM: The SBU collected new evidence of high treason on the part of the former deputy secretary of the National Security and Defense Council of Ukraine Volodymyr Sivkovych

- Exposedovets is involved in the organization of large-scale information campaigns aimed at artificially discrediting the top military and political leadership of Ukraine in favor of the Kremlin.
- For this, he involved famous politicians in Kyiv, among them Nestor Shufrych. It was he who was one of the main "speakers" who, under the coordination of Sivkovich, publicized the Kremlin's narratives during appearances on television and on the pages of online publications.

12:57 PM: On the Tavria direction, the Russians continue active ground infantry attacks with the support of armored vehicles and aviation.

- General Oleksandr Tarnavskyi, the commander of the operational and strategic group of troops "Tavria", announced this.

- According to him, a total of 49 combat clashes, 890 artillery shells and 18 airstrikes were recorded.

2:17 PM: SBU eliminated a hidden transportation channel from Ukraine to Russia and the temporarily occupied regions.

- According to the case file, among the clients of the underground flights were collaborators who tried to leave for the Russian Federation in order to escape from justice.
- The cost of a ticket for such a flight was 350 US dollars one way.
- According to the available data, the plots "earned" up to 1 million hryvnias every month. At present, they have been notified of the suspicion.

2:44 PM: The results of the work of the Prosecutor General's Office during the fight against the misuse of budget funds allocated for the repair and equipment of shelters:

- 326 criminal proceedings have been opened;
- 70 persons were notified of suspicion;
- Of them, 27 are officials of state bodies or self-government bodies;
- 22 indictments were sent to the court;
- More than 13 million hryvnias of established losses to the state.

2:54 PM: Ex-President of Ukraine Petro Poroshenko said that the border guards did not let him go on a business trip abroad and called it "anti-Ukrainian sabotage".

- According to Vice Speaker of the Verkhovna Rada Kornienko, Poroshenko's business trip was canceled after they received a document with a stamp for official use, the content of which he cannot comment on.
- Later, footage of Poroshenko's dialogue with border guards appeared online. At the end of the conversation, the people's deputy said: "_You will regret it_".

4:19 PM: More left than returned: more than 2 million people crossed the western border of Ukraine in November.

- Analyzing the daily reports of border guards on the situation at the border, we can conclude that the current trend is that more people are leaving Ukraine than returning home. However, the situation may change as the holidays approach.

4:33 PM: The Cabinet of Ministers appointed the head of the State Special Service — Yury Myronenko became him.

- This was reported by the representative of the government in the Verkhovna Rada, Taras Melnychuk.

5:07 PM: Volodymyr Zelensky presented state awards to Ukrainian prosecutors.

- "To date, more than 110,000 violations of the laws and customs of war by the Russian occupiers have been documented," the president noted.

5:34 PM: The Cabinet of Ukraine has appointed Vitaly Polovenko as Deputy Minister of Defense of Ukraine.

- In the Ministry of Defense team, Colonel Polovenko will be focused on issues of rear support.

5:54 PM: Since the beginning of the Great War, the Russian Federation has damaged or destroyed 863 objects of cultural heritage in Ukraine.

- Since the beginning of the full-scale invasion of the Russian Federation, 23 monuments have been completely destroyed, 663 monuments have been partially damaged, and the extent of damage to 177 objects remains unknown.
- The largest number of monuments were destroyed or damaged in Kharkiv Oblast, Odesa Oblast, and Donetsk Oblast, and the least in Zhytomyr Oblast.

6:36 PM: Defense forces in the south destroyed a Russian BUK-M2.

7:10 PM: Ukraine has begun preparations for the evacuation of drivers from blocked checkpoints on the territory of Poland.

- This was stated by the VRU Commissioner for Human Rights, Dmytro Lubinets.
- "There is also an initiative to create a headquarters to help Ukrainians at the border to provide drivers with food, water, medicine, fuel, etc.," says Lubinets.

7:21 PM: The president's wife, Olena Zelenska, said she does not want her husband to be re-elected, The Economist.

- "I don't want him to become the president for the next term or for the next two terms, it's impossible. Probably, we will be forced to invent something new," she said.

7:31 PM: Volodymyr Zelenskyi commented on the issue of mobilization and demobilization in his evening address:

- "Everyone in Ukraine understands that changes are needed in this area. And this is not just a question of the number of those who can be mobilized. It is a question of deadlines - both for everyone who is currently in the army, for demobilization, and for those who will come to the army. And this is a question of conditions".
- The President noted that there were some proposals at today's meeting of the Stavka, and he is waiting for comprehensive decisions.

8:11 PM: Summary of the General Staff of the Armed Forces of Ukraine as of 18:00 on December 1:

- 67 combat clashes took place during the day.
- The enemy launched 2 missile and 17 air strikes, carried out 46 shelling from the anti-aircraft missile system on the positions of the Ukrainian troops and populated areas.

- Units of the missile forces hit _3 areas of concentration of personnel, weapons and military equipment, as well as 5 ammunition depots_ of the enemy.

9:13 PM: Messenger continues to lead as top news source with 70%, according to Gradus Research.

- 47% of 1,032 respondents also use messengers for entertainment. Youtube continues to lead (65%) as the main source for entertainment.

10:14 PM: People's deputy of the 8th convocation, special appointee, officer of the ZSU Ihor Lapin said on Espresso that the head of the Office of the President Andriy Yermak does not support the Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of Ukraine Valery Zaluzhny and is trying to undermine trust in him among soldiers and allies

- "Representatives of the presidential party begin to harass Zaluzhnyi, but Zelensky does not understand that they are bullying him, because Zaluzhnyi is his subordinate at the Headquarters of the Supreme Commander-in-Chief during the war. That is, through the head of the president, they allow themselves to attack the Central Committee. President Zelenskyi removed himself from the exercise of his powers, because the "secretary" cannot give instructions to the prime minister, however, Yermak is glorified.
- We understand that Yermak probably has very serious incriminating information on President Zelenskyi. If he still gives more and more powers," said the officer of the Armed Forces and added that Zelensky used to appoint his friends, and now the head of the OP is doing it.

10:25 PM: All civilian medical institutions and 90% of hospitals have deployed an electronic document management system that will allow the military to transfer the necessary documents to the VLK.

- This was announced by the Deputy Minister of Defense of Ukraine, Hanna Malyar.

11:25 PM: "Denys will no longer be able to answer": SBU snipers told how they destroyed the Wagnerites near Bakhmut

- During the battles for Bakhmut in the spring of this year, SBU snipers covered Ukrainian soldiers on the "Road of Life".
- "The Special Operations Center "A" was actively working among the Defense Forces. Our snipers covered the Ukrainian military," said the head of the SBU, Vasyl Malyuk, in the documentary "SBU. Special operations of victory".
- According to snipers, they usually go to a position and can observe for up to 5 days, and then fire 1-2 effective shots
- "And here during the night we fired 30 shots from one rifle", one of the snipers said.

11:41 PM: "Artificially created noise": Vereshchuk stated that there are no conflicts between the political and military leadership.

- Deputy Prime Minister - Minister of Reintegration of Temporarily Occupied Territories Iryna Vereshchuk stated this in an interview with Voice of America.
- "I don't see any differences. Although I understand where such conversations come from. It is very beneficial for Russia to use any political subtext, context, hint, accent, even a letter - to throw a bone of contention," she said.

Saturday, December 2

7:20 AM: The Russian army complains on WhatsApp: it increases the threat of strikes from the Armed Forces, - ISW.

- It is noted that the Russian military has been repeatedly warned about the dangers of using social networks and the Internet, but the occupiers ignore the words of the command.
- "WhatsApp and other messages sent by the Russian military are intercepted by Ukraine, including documents, screenshots of conversations and media files," the report said.

Friday, December 1

12:27 PM: A fuel train exploded on the Baikal-Amur railway line.

- This is, in fact, the only serious railway connection between Russia and China, which the Russian Federation uses, including for military supplies. As a result of the explosion, the road was paralyzed.
- According to the media, this is another operation of the Security Service of Ukraine. There have been no official statements from the SBU yet.

3:20 PM: Russia is actively developing naval drones to catch up with Ukraine in this area, British intelligence.

- As noted in the summary, on November 27, 2023, Mykhailo Danylenko, the head of the Russian company KMZ, announced that their drones would be tested in the war with Ukraine with the aim of establishing serial production in 2024.
- According to British intelligence, KMZ previously produced a number of drones, but in recent months they have begun promoting kamikaze drone capabilities.

3:54 PM: Russia has not been re-elected to the board of the International Maritime Organization for 2024-2025.

- This was announced by the President of Ukraine Volodymyr Zelenskyi.
- "A fair decision, because no one has caused more damage to free shipping in recent decades than Russia," he wrote.

6:57 PM: Medvedev said that almost half a million people signed contracts with the Russian army during the year. Part - from the occupied Crimea

- Deputy Chairman of the Security Council of the Russian Federation Dmytro Medvedev boasted that in 2023, more than 425,000 people decided to serve in the terrorist army. For example, contract workers were recruited in Moscow, Chechnya and temporarily occupied Sevastopol.

- "I want to highlight the Chechen Republic. Thanks to the efforts made by the leadership there, over 30,000 citizens were sent to the front lines for the needs of the United Group of Forces," Medvedev said.

8:23 PM: Oil was transported from the Russian Federation in violation of the price ceiling: the USA imposed sanctions on companies and ships from the UAE and Liberia

- The USA introduced sanctions against three tankers and companies from the UAE and Liberia: they transported oil from the Russian Federation in violation of the price ceiling. Information about this appeared on the website of the US Treasury.
- HS Atlantica Limited from Liberia, Sterling Shipping Incorporated and Streymoy Shipping Limited from the United Arab Emirates were sanctioned.

8:41 PM: Putin increased the number of employees of the Armed Forces of the Russian Federation to 2 million 209 thousand people, the Ministry of Defense of the Russian Federation.

11:19 PM: "From 200 to 500 thousand Ukrainians lost their limbs due to the war": the Russians launched a new fake.

- This was reported by the Center for Strategic Communications.
- "Due to the incompetent provision of first aid, a limb that could have been saved has to be amputated. Therefore, in Ukraine - from 200 to 500 thousand people lost their limbs, and 50 thousand Ukrainians turned to the Ottobock company alone, which develops prostheses," - about this is written by the pro-Kremlin mass media with reference to the WSJ.
- In fact, the propagandists do not give any source where the information about the 200-500 thousand people who lost their limbs comes from. They refer only to the Ottobock company, which allegedly ordered prosthetics for 50,000 Ukrainian soldiers.

Friday, December 1

1:42 PM: Today in Kyiv, the movement of special vehicles, emergency services vehicles and bus service for passengers from the left bank to the right bank via the Podilsko-Voskresen bridge crossing was opened.

- This was announced by the mayor of the capital Vitaliy Klitschko.
- The Podilsko-Voskresensky bridge crossing is the largest of the transport infrastructure objects of Kyiv and Ukraine. The length of the bridge crossing is more than 10 km.

Friday, December 1

10:07 PM: In the Kharkiv region, the police arrested a swindler who swindled money from relatives of fallen soldiers, National Police.

- The perpetrator presented himself as an employee of the SBU and convinced relatives that their loved ones were alive and in captivity in Russia. He assured that he could "release" them from captivity for a certain amount of money.
- He faces up to 12 years in prison with confiscation of property.

Saturday, December 2

11:38 AM: Russians attacked Donetsk region: one person killed, two injured, National Police.

- "A civilian was killed in Chasovoy Yar, two houses were destroyed. Toretsk was attacked with "Grady" and artillery - a person was wounded. Another civilian was injured as a result of shelling in Bohdanivka," the report said.

Friday, December 1

1:21 PM: The bodies of two more people were found under the rubble of a house in Novogrodivka, said the acting chief of staff. Ihor Moroz, head of the Donetsk RMA.

- Thus, the number of victims increased to four. The search for one more person continues.

7:50 PM: Serviceman of the Armed Forces of Ukraine Shyshuk spoke about the tactics of the enemy in Avdiivka

- The tactics of the occupiers in Avdiivka remain unchanged. They are ready to sacrifice their equipment and people to get past the first position, to unload everything so that their people can join the battle
- "The Russians really want to jump behind our advanced position and unload infantry there. They agree to sacrifice equipment, people, armored groups for this. When the tank paves the way, they want to jump past the first position and unload everything there so that their people have no way to retreat, except to enter the battle. This is the tactic," he said.

Saturday, December 2

9:35 AM: Another blackout occurred at the Zaporizhzhia NPP — Energoatom.

- In the evening of December 1, the power transmission line through which the station received power from the Ukrainian power system was cut.
- At 02:31 a.m., the last line "Zaporizka NPP — Dniprovsk" was de-energized during an air alert.
- In connection with the complete blackout, the ZNPP switched to powering its own needs from diesel generators. The biggest safety threat in this state exists at power unit 4.

Friday, December 1

6:00 PM: An explosion is heard in the temporarily occupied Berdyansk of Zaporizhzhia region.

- Melitopol Mayor Ivan Fedorov reported this.

Saturday, December 2

2:45 AM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in Dnipro.

9:13 AM Social Networks: An explosion was heard in Dnipro.

Friday, December 1

2:26 PM: As a result of the Russian shelling of Tyaginka, a man died - Kherson OVA.

- "Also, an 81-year-old woman who was in her own house at the time of the attack was wounded by enemy fire," the message reads.

2:56 PM Kherson RMA: Explosions are heard in the center and Dnipro district of Kherson.

6:09 PM: Explosions are heard in Kherson, the head of the Municipal Military Administration, Roman Mrochko, reports.