

# News From Ukraine

Russian Invasion of Ukraine

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## Lawfare, Ukraine-Style

Today in the U.S. there is a debate going on in the United States about whether all the criminal and civil cases against former President Trump amount to “Lawfare,” defined as the use of the United States criminal and civil justice system by the Party in power to attack former President Trump, to make him vulnerable in the 2024 U.S. Presidential election.

There is a “Ukraine connection.” People seem to be forgetting that in early 2010 the administration of Viktor Yanukovich employed lawfare to go after his former rival in the just completed 2009/2010 Ukrainian Presidential election, Yulia Tymoshenko, using the services of 2 U.S. law firms and one private investigating firm to do so. Lawfare, Ukraine-Style, refers to the use of American professional service firms by the party in power in Ukraine to go after political opponents.

Beginning in early 2010, on the advice of Paul Manafort then an adviser to Yanukovich Administration, the Ukrainian Government used the services of 2 U.S. law firms, Trout Cacheris and Aiken Gump, and the international investigative firm, Kroll & Associates to write a report on Tymoshenko’s handling of the sale of Kyoto credits by Ukraine to the Government of Japan. Based on the report prepared by these firms, the Yanukovich Government launched a criminal investigation against Yulia Tymoshenko, accusing her of misuse of Kyoto Credits purchased from Ukraine by the Government of Japan, and inflating the price of ambulances purchased from an Austrian firm and financed by UNICREDIT.

This video shows a [press conference](#) conducted by the U.S. law firm Covington & Burling and the U.S. accounting firm BDO, representing both

Yulia Tymoshenko and her Party, Fatherland, where the lead Partner at Covington & Burling described the report written by the 3 firms retained by Yanukovich and his government as “not worth the paper it was printed on.” He stated the following:

- That in 2009, when Tymoshenko was Prime Minister, the proceeds of the sale of the Kyoto Credits were deposited in a special account in Ukraine, where the entire amount stayed until after Tymoshenko left office in February 2010, to be replaced as Prime Minister by Mykola Azarov. In other words, if all the funds stayed in the same account until after Tymoshenko left office, it would be impossible for Tymoshenko to misuse the funds.
- That the analysis that Covington & Burling and BDO did, on the selling prices of the Austrian ambulances, showed that Ukraine purchased the ambulances at a price equal to, or lower than, market prices. In other words, no one could have benefitted from inflated prices, if inflated prices didn't exist.
- At 19:00 into the video the Covington & Burling Partner stated that the European Parliament had warned the Yanukovich Government against the use selective prosecution against their political opposition in Ukraine.

Toward the end of the video, during the Q&A, a Ukrainian reporter inquired about a 3<sup>rd</sup> case brought by the Yanukovich Administration against Tymoshenko, abuse of power in connection with the negotiation of gas supply contracts between Gazprom and Naftogaz that took place in 2009. For this case, at the recommendation of Paul Manafort, the Yanukovich Administration hired a third U.S. law firm, Skadden Arps.

In the abuse of power case, Tymoshenko was found guilty as charged, and she served 4 years in prison until she was released on February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014, just after Yanukovich fled Ukraine. Skadden Arps played a significant role in Tymoshenko's prosecution and imprisonment, including advising and training the prosecution team for trial and, later, writing a report that served as a justification for Tymoshenko's imprisonment.

For their services Skadden Arps was paid approximately \$4 million, and not just by the Government of Ukraine. Part of their payment came from

individuals associated with Yanukovich, likely as a means of getting around Ukraine's tendering restrictions. In a settlement with the U.S. Government, Skadden agreed to disgorge the fee they were paid for their involvement in Tymoshenko's prosecution and imprisonment. One Skadden lawyer, Alex van der Zwann, served 30 days in jail for lying to the FBI.

For many years I have written about the Party in power in Ukraine weaponizing of U.S. professional service firms, for the purpose of going after political opponents. It seems like the use of Lawfare has now come full circle.

["Pull Russia's poisonous teeth': Zelensky's war chief on Hitler, Putin & Recruits"](#)/Daily Telegraph – "Defence in Depth"

Interview with Oleksiy Danilov, the Head of Ukraine's National Security and Defense Council. Anyone who finds him or herself bereft of reasons why Russia needs to be defeated in Ukraine could do no better than listening to what Danilov has to say in this interview.

### News From the Battlefield

Recent Drone Strike – "[Reporting From Ukraine](#)" describes how Ukraine's recent drone strike into Russian territory was coordinated with the incursion of Russians fighting on the side of Ukraine into Russian territory. The latter forced Russian air assets to go after them, allowing the drones to get through largely uncontested. He mentions that the drone strikes were the result of recent advances in Ukraine's long-range drone technology and increased production. He also mentions that there has been an increase in the number of Russians fighting on Ukraine's side, resulting in the creation of a 3<sup>rd</sup> battalion.

Avdiivka – Both "[Reporting From Ukraine](#)" and "[the Latest Denys](#)" cover fighting west of Avdiivka, where Ukraine has been trying to put up stronger defense lines along a river. As was the case during the fighting in Avdiivka itself, Russian daily losses are once again over 1,000. Yesterday it was 1,160 killed and those receiving serious wounds. At 3:05 into the video Denys reports on substantial Russian equipment losses, 6/1 as of the latest report.

Odesa – There has been a series of Russian missile strikes against Odesa, the latest of which has resulted in the deaths of over 20 people. As Denys

mentions, in his video referenced in the previous paragraph (6:55 into the video), Russia is now using “double hits” on civilian targets. The first hit brings out first responders, who are then killed in the 2<sup>nd</sup> hit. This likely involves the use of spotters, who advise Russian forces when to launch the 2<sup>nd</sup> missile. The tactic has resulted in several deaths of first responders, in cities including Odesa, Kharkiv, Dnipro and elsewhere.

3/16/2024 Sitrep (my comment in **bold face**)

Abbreviations: RMA = Regional Military Administration UAV = Unmanned Aerial Vehicle

## **INTERNATIONAL**

12:01 AM: The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences plans to add the awarding moment for "20 Days in Mariupol" to the shortened version of the Oscar ceremony, Deadline

7:52 AM: Britain condemns Russia's holding of presidential "elections" on the sovereign territory of Ukraine and will never recognize their results.

- This was stated by the Permanent Representative of Great Britain to the OSCE, Neil Holland, at the meeting of the Permanent Council of the OSCE in Vienna.

8:00 AM: US President Joe Biden is already 1% ahead of his predecessor Donald Trump ahead of the November presidential election. Previously, all polls favored Trump by 4-5%, a new Reuters/Ipsos poll found.

8:00 AM: Court denies Trump dismissal of mishandling of classified documents, CNN.

8:00 AM: At least 60 people have died on a rubber boat carrying illegal immigrants from Libya that drifted in the Mediterranean Sea for about a week.

12:10 PM: Latvian President Edgar Rinkevich supported the statements of French President Emmanuel Macron.

- "I fully support Emmanuel Macron: we must not draw red lines for ourselves, we must draw red lines for Russia, and we must not be

afraid to enforce them. Ukraine must win, Russia must be defeated. russia delenda est", - wrote Edgar Rinkevicius.

1:17 PM: Portugal has allocated 100 million euros to the Czech initiative to supply ammunition to Ukraine from non-EU countries — Reuters.

- The Ministry of Defense of Portugal said that the initiative is aimed at the rapid delivery of the largest possible number of ammunition of various calibers, in particular 155 millimeters.

2:43 PM: The European Commission has announced the allocation of €500 million to increase and accelerate the production of ammunition, according to the EC website.

- "[...] This will allow the European defense industry to increase the production of munitions to 2 million projectiles (caliber 155 mm - ed.) per year by the end of 2025," the message says.

4:24 PM: The Coast Guard of Sweden is handing over 9 watercraft for maritime surveillance to Ukraine.

- This was reported by the press service of the Swedish government.
- "Hydrocycles are something that is in demand in Ukraine, and according to the Coast Guard, they can be delivered immediately," the message reads.

8:17 PM: Greece has joined the coalition of countries for demining Ukraine, said the Minister of National Defense of Lithuania, Arvydas Anusauskas.

- The country is preparing to deliver a new batch of military aid to Ukraine. We are talking about aviation missiles, artillery pieces and cartridges. The Czech Republic, which will purchase Greek equipment, will act as an intermediary.

9:15 PM: Hungary demands the return to Hungarian minority in Ukraine "all the rights they had before 2015", media.

- Hungary demands the restoration of rights that guarantee the free use of the Hungarian language in Ukraine and the restoration of the right to political representation at the regional and national levels.
- **I don't believe the rights of Ukrainians who happen to have Hungarian origins have changed whatsoever.**

10:15 PM: The EU will use surplus profits from frozen Russian assets in Europe to finance arms purchases for Ukraine.

- This was stated by Chancellor of Germany Olaf Scholz after a meeting in the format of the Weimar Triangle.

11:45 PM: Finland plans to block entry for asylum seekers from Russia, — Reuters.

11:45 PM: Japan plans to revise strict defense export rules to allow sale of next-generation fighter jets, NHK

11:45 PM: The US will never recognize the results of the so-called "elections" of the Russian Federation in the occupied territories of Ukraine, the US Embassy in Ukraine reports.

## **NATIONAL**

12:08 AM: Air Force reports enemy UAV movement.

- UAVs from Sumy Oblast fly into Chernihiv Oblast.
- Another group of drones flies to Sumy region from the Kursk region.

7:00 AM: Summary of Battlefield events from March 15, General Command report from 06:00 16 March:



UKRAINIAN WARS, ILLUSTRATIVE PHOTO OF GENERAL STAFF

- Over the past day, 78 combat clashes took place on the front between the Defense Forces and the Russians, most of them in the Avdiiv direction.
- **Details:** During the past 24 hours, 78 combat clashes took place.
- In total, the enemy launched 10 missile and 68 air strikes, carried out 89 attacks from rocket salvo systems on the positions of Ukrainian troops and populated areas.
- During the past day, the settlements of Popivka, Vilne, Oleksandrivka, Velyka Pysarivka, Lukashivka, Dmytrivka of the Sumy region were hit by airstrikes; Baranivka, Zolochiv, Pokalane, Petropavlivka of the Kharkiv region; Nadiya, Belogorivka, Luhansk region; Siversk, Semenivka, Kalynivka, Chasiv Yar, Keramik, Novobakhmutivka, Novoselivka Persha, Orlivka, Umanske, Krasnohorivka, Georgiivka, Pobyeda, Kostyantynivka in the Donetsk region and Robotine in the Zaporizhia region.
- About 100 settlements in the Chernihiv, Sumy, Kharkiv, Luhansk, Donetsk, Zaporizhzhya, Dnipropetrovsk, Kherson, and Mykolaiv regions were under enemy artillery fire.
- On **Seversky** and **Slobozhansk directions** the enemy maintains a military presence in the border areas, carries out sabotage activities with the aim of preventing the transfer of our troops to threatening directions.
- In the area of responsibility of the "Khortytsia" OSU, **in the Kupyansk direction**, Defense forces repelled 3 enemy attacks in the areas of Sinkivka and Tabaivka settlements of Kharkiv region, where the enemy tried to improve their tactical position.
- On **Lyman direction** Ukrainian soldiers repelled 9 enemy attacks in the areas of the settlements of Bilogorivka in Luhansk region and Terna and Rozdolivka in Donetsk region, where the enemy, with the support of aviation, tried to break through the defenders' defenses.
- On **Bakhmut direction** The defense forces repelled 3 enemy attacks in the areas of Andriivka and Klishchiivka settlements of the Donetsk region.
- In the area of responsibility of the "Tavria" OSU, at **Avdiiv direction**, the defenders repelled 26 enemy attacks in the areas of Berdychi, Orlivka, Tonenke and Pervomaiske settlements.

- On **Novopavlovsk direction** The defense forces continue to restrain the enemy in the areas of Krasnohorivka, Georgiivka, and Novomykhailivka, where the enemy, supported by aviation, tried 24 times to break through the defenses of the Ukrainian troops.
- On **Orihiv direction** the occupiers attacked defenders' positions 7 times in the districts of Staromayorskyi in Donetsk region and Robotynyi in the Zaporizhzhia region.
- In the area of responsibility of OSUV "Odesa", at **Kherson direction**, the enemy carried out 3 unsuccessful assaults on the positions of the Defense Forces.
- At the same time, during the past 24 hours, the Air Force of the Defense Forces struck 7 areas where enemy personnel were concentrated.
- Also on the night of March 16, the Defense Forces of Ukraine [destroyed](#) 2 of 2 "Shahed" type strike drones in Kharkiv region.

7:19 AM: Threat of using ballistic weapons from the east, - Ukrainian Air Force.

7:59 AM: Activity of enemy tactical aircraft in the eastern direction, - Ukrainian Air Force.

- The threat of using aviation weapons.

10:14 AM: The Ukrainian military has published a video of the destruction of the Russian army with the help of artillery, attack UAVs and Bradleys in the Avdiyiv direction.

11:18 AM: Threat of using ballistic weapons from the east. The threat of ballistics for the southern regions, — Ukrainian Air Force.

12:19 PM: Ukraine managed to return the bodies of 100 more fallen defenders, — Coordinating Headquarters for the Treatment of Prisoners of War.

- After identification, they will be handed over to their families for a dignified burial.

1:44 PM: MiG-31K takeoff from Savasleyka airfield of Nizhny Novgorod region was recorded, — Ukrainian Air Force.



6:01 PM: A large-scale project on the technological training of the Ukrainian military is launched in Ukraine with the support of Favbet

- The military will be trained (<https://bit.ly/3PoXnqW>) in the effective use of modern technologies during combat missions: UAV technologies and other remotely piloted vehicles, communications, radio-electronic warfare and intelligence.
- The project is implemented with the financial support of Favbet. (<https://bit.ly/3Vlt3BA>) The project is implemented by the organization "Beta - technologies of victory", (<https://bit.ly/4ciO1qx>) which is part of the project of the Ministry of Digital Affairs "Army of Drones" and from 2022 trains personnel and consults units of the Defense Forces.

6:30 PM: Volodymyr Zelenskyy held important military meetings.

Heard the report of head commissar Oleksandr Syrskyi, who returned from the Avdiiv direction in the morning;

- Together with the military leadership, the most vulnerable places of the enemy were identified;
- Held a meeting with representatives of the Cabinet of Ministers, the Ministry of Defense and other departments regarding the production of high-tech drones for current and future operations.
- "\_Relevant tasks and deadlines have been determined. No Russian terrorist attack should remain unanswered\_" the president noted.

7:05 PM: Evening address of the President of Ukraine Volodymyr Zelenskyy:

- "\_Rescue work and assistance are still ongoing in Odesa after the Russian missile attack - a very vile attack by these scum: two missiles, and the second when rescuers and doctors arrived at the site of the impact\_".

7:41 PM: Two new industrial parks will be opened in Ukraine — in Rivne and Lviv regions, Prime Minister of Ukraine Denys Shmyhal announced.

- A park in the Rivne region specializing in industrial processing, where \_the creation of 1,400 jobs\_ is expected. Investments — more than UAH 1 billion.

- Park in the Lviv region is a processing industry with a special emphasis on furniture production. \_Creation of more than 2,000 new jobs\_ and investments worth more than UAH 2 billion are expected.

7:52 PM: Summary of the General Staff of the Armed Forces of Ukraine as of the evening of March 15:

- During the day \_68 combat clashes were recorded.\_
- In the Avdiyiv region \_our defenders repelled more than 20 enemy attacks\_ in the areas of Berdychi, Orlivka, Tonenke, Pervomaiske settlements of the Donetsk region.
- Aviation of the Defense Forces struck 7 areas where the enemy's personnel, weapons and military equipment were concentrated.

8:55 PM: The government is expanding the support program for Ukrainian farmers, Prime Minister of Ukraine Shmyhal said.

- Small farms in de-occupied territories and farmers in communities where hostilities were fought will be able to receive 8,000 hryvnias per hectare of their cultivated land.
- qThe maximum area is up to 120 hectares.

9:55 PM: Law enforcement officers exposed another scheme for transporting people abroad, the DPSU.

- The 44-year-old Ukrainian promised his "clients" employment at one of the enterprises, and in the future, border guards with National Police officers were made for them after receiving part of the money.

10:35 PM: In 2023, the cyber department of the SBU actively destroyed the supply chains to Russia of parts for the production of shakheds and missiles, said the head of the cyber department of the SBU, Ilya Vityuk.

- " \_We stopped the supply of servomotors for 1,600 Shaheds, as well as 4,000 microcircuits for Russian cruise missiles\_" he said.
- He said that cyber specialists of the Service also work on the front line, and there their priorities are the destruction of enemy electronic warfare and intelligence systems.

11:29 PM: An air alert has been issued in several areas.

- The Air Force reports the threat of using ballistic weapons.

## **MORDOR – ruZZia**

7:14 AM: Voting in the Russian presidential election has begun.

- Voting will last 3 days: from March 15 to 17.

7:17 AM: Explosions are heard in the Russian city of Belgorod, - rosZMI.

8:00 AM: In the Kaluga region of the Russian Federation, 4 drones were allegedly shot down, — Governor Shapsha.

9:46 AM: In the Kaluga region of the Russian Federation, 3 UAVs attacked an oil plant, — rosZMI.

- The company's equipment was damaged.

12:46 PM: Within the next hour, a massive strike will be carried out on military facilities in the city of Belgorod.

- The corresponding statement was jointly made by the "Freedom of Russia" legion, "Russian Volunteer Corps" and the Siberian Battalion.
- "We call on local residents to immediately go to safe shelters and not go outside until the attack ends. Spread this message among the people of Belgorod - help save the lives of your compatriots," the message reads.

1:49 PM: According to SBU materials, Vladimir Mashkov, the head of Putin's "electoral staff" received suspicion in absentia.

- The figurehead is part of Putin's inner circle and is one of the main headliners of mass actions in Moscow in support of a full-scale invasion of the Russian Federation.
- According to the investigation, Mashkov publicly calls for support for Russian occupation groups fighting against Ukraine. He also personally justifies the destruction of civilian infrastructure.

3:39 PM: In Russia, people set fire to the ballot boxes and fill the ballots with green paint - this is how the so-called "elections" of the President of the Russian Federation take place.

- The opposition mass media note that a lot of violations were recorded during the "elections".
- For example, in Voronezh, an observer found ballots in a box even before the opening of the polling station.
- At the polling stations themselves, mostly observers from Putin and the puppet "Public Chamber" sit.

5:35 PM: Moscow is rebuilding its army in anticipation of a conflict with NATO in the coming decade.

- Foreign Policy writes about this with reference to Estonian intelligence.
- According to the Director General of the Estonian Foreign Intelligence Service Kaupo Rosin, the Russian military leaders have learned from the mistakes of the initial stages of the war and are adapting with "uncharacteristic speed".

6:46 PM: Russia is attracting more and more mercenaries from countries with a difficult economic situation to the war against Ukraine.

- Petro Yatsenko, a representative of the Coordinating Headquarters for the Treatment of Prisoners of War, stated this.
- According to him, many mercenaries are from Cuba, India, Africa, Nepal, partly from Serbia. There are also representatives of Latin American countries, Egypt, Jordan and Iraq.

8:35 PM: Putin was the first Kremlin leader to use gas as a weapon, Austrian Foreign Minister Alexander Schallenberg said.

- "We want to give up Russian gas, because we saw for the first time that it can be a weapon, that it can be used to exert pressure," the minister commented on the journalists' question about Austria's gas dependence on Russia.

11:49 PM: There was a loud explosion in Kursk, Russia.

- The governor of Starovoit reports a UAV attack.

## REGIONS

### KYIV



1:32 AM: Air Defense forces are working on enemy UAVs in the Kyiv region, RMA reported.

2:01 AM: An air alert has been announced in Kyiv, - KMDA.

2:03 AM: The air alert in Kyiv is related to the threat of using UAVs, - KMVA.

2:20 AM: Explosions are heard in the Kyiv region. Previously, the work of Air Defense.

2:24 AM: Air Defense is operating in the region, on the approaches to Kyiv, KRMA reported.

2:39 AM: In the Kyiv region, explosions are heard again, subscribers report. Previously, the work of Air Defense.

6:09 AM: An air alert has been announced in Kyiv, - KMDA.

12:48 PM: Director of the Kyiv Metro Braginsky resigned at the request of Klitschko.

- The duties of the head of the utility enterprise will be temporarily performed by the chief engineer of the Kyiv Metro, Viktor Vyhivskiy.

### SUMY



12:34 AM: UAVs in Chernihiv Oblast and Sumy Oblast are moving in the direction of Chernihiv, the Air Force reports.

9:49 AM: As a result of rocket fire in Chernihiv Oblast, a man was injured, — Civil Defense Department.

- The Russians also shelled Berislav in the Kherson region. A local resident was injured.

3:51 PM: Ballistics threat from the Belgorod region, — Ukrainian Air Force.

- Launches of guided air bombs by tactical aircraft in Sumy region and Donetsk region.

## ZAPORIZHIA



11:35 AM: the Russians shelled the village of Dolinka, Pologiv district, with artillery.

- This was announced by Ivan Fedorov, the head of the Zaporizhzhia RMA.
- A 76-year-old woman died from her injuries.

6:56 PM: Russians shelled the village of Dolinka in the Zaporizhzhia region — a local woman was killed.

- This is reported by the Prosecutor General's Office.

## KHERSON



9:17 AM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in Kherson.

1:10 PM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in Kherson.

1:25 PM: Russians shelled the center of Kherson.

- This was announced by the head of the MBA, Roman Mrochko.
- A 25-year-old woman turned to doctors for help. During the enemy attack, the wounded woman was on the street. The woman was diagnosed with a mine-explosive injury, a contusion.

11:05 PM: In the Kherson Region, the SSO military prevented the enemy's attempt to mine reservoirs.

- "The enemy's targets were promptly hit by fire by unmanned attack systems. As a result of the accurate work of the SSO operators, the enemy's equipment was destroyed," the military wrote.

## ODESSA



11:05 AM: Missile on Odesa, — Ukrainian Air Force.

11:06 AM Social Networks: The sound of an explosion is heard in Odesa.

11:22 AM Social Networks: Another explosion rang out in Odesa.

12:05 PM: As a result of the Russian missile attack on Odesa, there are casualties. All relevant services are on site.

- This was announced by the head of RMA Oleg Kiper.

12:43 PM: As a result of the Russian missile attack, a paramedic and an employee of the State Emergency Services, who arrived at the scene after the first explosion, were killed.

- Oleg Kiper, the head of Odesa RMA, announced this.
- Among the medics and rescuers there are also seriously wounded. The total number of victims is being determined, all are being provided with the necessary medical assistance.

1:31 PM: In Odesa, 20 people were injured, of which 5 are rescuers, the State Emergency Services reported.

- The impact damaged 10 private houses, a service station, a low-pressure gas pipeline, and 2 fire and rescue vehicles.

1:54 PM: The number of dead in Odesa has increased to 8 people, — the regional prosecutor's office.

2:10 PM: As a result of Russian strikes on Odesa, 14 people were killed, another 46 were injured, — RMA.

3:26 PM: Russians hit Odessa with ballistic missiles, firing Iskander-M missiles from the temporarily occupied Crimea.

- This is reported by the Defense Forces of Southern Ukraine.
- A three-story building of a recreational facility was destroyed, at least 10 private houses, a service station, a low-pressure gas pipeline, and special service vehicles were damaged.

4:27 PM: The number of dead in Odesa has increased to 16 people, another 55 are injured, — RMA.

- After the enemy attack, more than 200 Odessa residents and guests of the city donated blood for the victims, and about a hundred more people are standing in lines at reception points.

5:14 PM: The number of wounded as a result of Russian strikes on Odesa has risen to 73.

- This was reported by the head of the Ministry of Internal Affairs, Ihor Klymenko.
- "\_Unfortunately, we also have losses among the personnel of the National Police. Strong, fearless fighters. Without numbers, but with great respect for each of the dead\_", Klymenko writes.

5:51 PM: As a result of a Russian missile attack in Odesa, ex-deputy mayor Serhiy Tetyukhin and commander of the "Tsunami" battalion Oleksandr Hostishchev were killed.

- Andrii Vagapov, a deputy of the Odesa City Council, reported this.

6:24 PM: As of 5:00 p.m., 19 people are known to have died as a result of Russian strikes on Odesa.

- This was announced by the Prosecutor General of Ukraine Andriy Kostin.

7:18 PM: The death toll as a result of an enemy missile attack on Odesa has increased to 20 people, State Emergency Services.

## VINNYTSIA



8:28 AM: One more person died because of a night attack in Vinnytsia region.

- This was announced by the head of RMA Serhiy Borzov.

9:07 AM: The media published a destroyed house in the Vinnytsia region.

## KHMELNITSKY





7:16 PM: Two units will be completed and two new AP1000 reactors will be installed at the Khmelnytskyi NPP — it will become the largest in Europe.

- This was announced by Energy Minister Herman Galushchenko.
- "[...] \_Construction readiness for the third unit is very high. We are negotiating with our Bulgarian partners about obtaining the appropriate reactor housings. I think we will be able to connect this third unit to the system very quickly\_", Galushchenko noted.

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 Afghanistan	Mar 9	Mar 10	Mar 11	Mar 12	Mar 15
Duration	9 years and 9 months	After 744 days	After 747 days	After 746 days	After 747 days	After 750 days
Military Personnel Liquidated	14,453	424,060	424,980	425,890	426,870	429,580

Material Losses

Tanks	147	6,731	6,739	6,747	6,752	6,779
Armored Personnel Carriers	1,314	12,850	12,874	12,901	12,921	12,973
Artillery, Mortars, and Ballistic Rocket launchers	433	11,481	11,515	11,538	11,571	11,623
Cruise Missiles		1,919	1,919	1,920	1,921	1922
Fighters Bombers	118	347	347	347	347	347
Helicopters	333	325	325	325	325	325

Drones		8082	8,141	8,184	8,205	8,268
Anti Aircraft Missile Batteries		709	711	711	715	719
Cargo/Fuel/ other transport	11,36 9	13,752	13,826	13,870	13,932	14,024
Naval Vessels		26 + 1 submar ine	26 + 1 submar ine	26 + 1 submar ine	26 + 1 submar ine	26 + 1 submar ine
Specialized equipment		1,672	1,686	1,691	1,699	1,712

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