

News From Ukraine



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In mid-April, on a date to be determined, we will be hosting a Zoom call for our email recipients who are kind enough to support our efforts over the past 2+ years.

The war is beginning its third year. During the Zoom call we will discuss significant developments over the past 2 years and our unvarnished predictions on how, and when, Ukraine will defeat Russia. To best accommodate everyone, we will schedule the call in the late morning/early afternoon, U.S. Eastern Daylight time (+5 hours in the UK, +6 hours in Germany, +7 hours in Ukraine).

If you would like to join the call, and the effort we make to send out these emails 4 – 5 days/week, please provide your support [here](#), in any amount and in any currency. Thank You!!!!



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[Discharge Petition No. 9](#)

Discharge Petition No. 9, introduced by Rep. James McGovern (D-Massachusetts) will allow the legislation that includes \$61 billion in military support to Ukraine, to move to the Floor of the U.S. House of Representatives without Speaker Michael Johnson having to introduce it. To be successful, a discharge petition must have 218 signers, a majority of the House.

As of last Friday, March 22nd, Discharge Petition No. 9 has 191 signers, including 1 Republican, Ken Buck of Colorado. Discharge Petition No. 10, introduced by Brian Fitzpatrick (R-Pennsylvania), has 15 signers including Ken Buck who has signed both.

Axios did an [analysis](#) of both discharge petitions. According to Axios the Republican version contains only military aid for Ukraine, Israel and Taiwan. The Democratic version largely mirrors the legislation passed by the Senate, and includes both military and humanitarian aid.

For Discharge Petition No. 9 to be successful it will need a significant number of Republican votes, because the House Progressive Caucus, led by Pramila Jayapal (D-Washington State), is opposed to aid to Israel. If no additional Democrat signs, Discharge Petition No. 9 will need 27 Republicans (total of 28 as Buck has already signed) who are willing to buck their own leadership. Unfortunately, this may be a tall order.

Significantly absent from signing either Petition is Rep. Victoria Spartz (R-Indiana) who is the first and only Member of the U.S. House of Representatives of Ukrainian descent, having immigrated to the U.S. when she was approximately 20 years old. The fact that Rep. Spartz was not one of the first signers is in my opinion appalling. Like Ken Buck, Rep. Spartz is retiring from the House at the end her term, therefore there is no reason for her not to sign it. There is no danger for Rep. Spartz getting on the wrong side of the Republican Leadership.

Today's Wall Street Journal has an interesting article entitled "[Why Mike Johnson Cannot Run the House Without Democrats' Help.](#)" According to the article, to get any major legislation passed in the House requires a Suspension of the Rules, requiring 2/3rds vote of the Members. Republicans now have only a 2-seat majority, meaning that Speaker Johnson needs Democratic help to pass any major legislation, including the appropriations bills, passed last Friday, that were necessary to avoid shutting down much of the government. Democratic Minority Leader Hakeem Jefferies has implied that he will protect Speaker Johnson from any further Republican petition to force him out of his Speakership. Perhaps Jefferies can condition further support on Johnson's agreement to send the Senate bill including Ukraine aid to the House Floor. This would accomplish the same objective as the discharge petitions.

In any case, nothing will happen until at least April 9th, when the House returns from its Easter Recess.

["If Ukraine Falls, it Will Be the GOP's Afghanistan"](#)/Marc Thiessen – Washington Post

An excerpt:

- “While Ukraine would not likely fall this year, the conditions would be set for a Russian victory in 2025 — just as (Republicans hope) Donald Trump takes office. So, Ukraine’s catastrophic collapse could well happen on the GOP’s watch, not Biden’s. Imagine the outrage as stunned Americans watch Russian forces marching into Kyiv, slaughtering and pillaging as they did in Bucha at the start of the war. Whom do Republicans think Americans would hold responsible for the atrocities playing out on their screens?”

While I agree with this assessment, it will also be on the Biden Administration in equal measure. We are “here,” largely because of the Biden Administration’s refusal to supply Ukraine with the weapons they’ve asked for, when they asked for them, culminating with the current impasse in Congress. In late 2022, after the successful dual Ukrainian offensives in Kherson and Kharkiv oblasts, Russia was on the ropes.

To add an additional level of insult, according to the [Financial Times](#) the Biden Administration now has the temerity to ask Ukraine not to continue to hit oil refineries inside Russia, lest they cause world oil prices to increase prior to our Presidential election. Happily, Ukraine has appeared to ignore the U.S.’s request.

The loss of Ukraine will be an indelible stain on both Parties and, most importantly, the United States.

[“Is Religious Liberty Under Attack in Ukraine?”](#)/Jillian Kay Melchor – Wall St. Journal

This is an excellent article arguing that there is no danger to religious liberty in Ukraine, resulting from efforts by the Government of Ukraine to hold individual priests of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church – Moscow Patriarchate (UOC-MP) to account when they engage in treasonous activities in Ukraine. Yet several Members of Congress and former Republican Presidential candidates along with Tucker Carlson, continue to effectively support Patriarch Kirill of the Moscow Patriarchate and the efforts of some members of the UOC-MP by describing efforts of the Government of Ukraine to enforce the law as “religious persecution against Christians.”

Some excerpts (my comments in **bold face**):

- “This narrative (religious persecution of the UOC-MP by the Ukrainian Government) —the product of a public-relations and lobbying campaign—sounds bad. But it’s false, and Americans in particular should appreciate Ukraine’s dilemma. After Sept. 11, the U.S. sought to safeguard religious freedom while protecting itself from Islamic terrorism. Ukraine seeks to uphold religious liberty while addressing Russia’s power over the UOC-MP, which supports the Kremlin.” **In effect, the Moscow Patriarchate, including the UOC-MP which it controls, is an organ of the Russian State, and Kirill is the Russian Minister of Religion.**
- “Last year two Swiss publications reported that among the KGB agents in the church during Soviet times was Vladimir Gundyayev, known today as Patriarch Kirill of Moscow, head of the Russian Orthodox Church since 2009.”
- “Some 22 Ukrainian Orthodox Church officials have been convicted of unlawful collaboration with Russians or other war-related crimes, according to Viktor Yelenskyi, Ukraine’s top executive official on matters of religion and freedom of conscience. Priests have been convicted for informing Russia of Ukrainian positions and otherwise spying and for disseminating propaganda urging the government’s overthrow.”

The article is worth reading and concludes “The evidence doesn’t support the accusation that Ukraine is persecuting Orthodox Christians. The national-security threat posed by some factions of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church, Moscow Patriarchate is genuine, and Ukraine is addressing it in a careful, measured way. There’s a coordinated campaign to convince U.S. voters and lawmakers otherwise, and they shouldn’t be fooled.”

The Caucasus

This article dated July 3, 2023, entitled “[Turkey’s Russia](#)” by Diane Francis, describes the significance of the Caucasus Region to today’s Russia. 20% of Russia’s population is Muslim. The 4 perpetrators of last Friday’s bombing of the Crocus concert venue in Moscow were Tajiks. Partly because of the events of last Friday there is now an effort in Russia to substantially curtail

immigration from the former Soviet Central Asian republics, including Tajikistan, at a time when Russia is a major source of employment for men from the Central Asian republics.

About halfway down the article there is map entitled “Distribution of Killed Russian Soldiers.” Diane Francis states:

- “The war against Ukraine has upset those who live in Russia’s far-flung, impoverished regions. In the North Caucasus, for instance, there have been widespread protests against Russia’s aggressive military mobilization of their sons. Many Chechens and others also sympathize with Ukraine’s struggle against Russia, some even joining Ukraine’s armed forces to fight Russia. Stoking their resentment are revelations that the death rates of non-Slavic soldiers drafted into the Russian army are dramatically higher among Turkic youth and young Mongols from Russia’s Far Eastern regions than for Russian ethnic men who live in Moscow or St. Petersburg.”
- “Ukraine has exploited this unrest wherever possible, and in 2022 the Ukrainian parliament declared the Chechen Republic as “temporarily occupied” by Russia. Last month, President Volodymyr Zelensky accused Russia of discrimination against all its Turkic and Moslem citizens in a speech before the prestigious Arab Federation.”

Time doesn’t seem to be on the Russians’ side. The population growth is much faster among Muslims than it is among Slavic Russians. Among other things, Russia sees Ukrainians as a bulwark against the threats from the South and East.

The Dnipro Crossings Revisited

This is a very good but long [video](#) from “Times Radio” about the current situation on the Dnipro Crossings. It’s worth watching. To summarize, the crossings on the Left Bank seem to be secure for now, but without additional ammunition the Ukrainians won’t be able to consolidate the crossings into 1 lodgment, and drive the Russians back, both of which are necessary conditions to building pontoon bridges that are required for Ukraine to cross the Dnipro in force.

This a [video](#) (4 minutes) describing the ships that Ukraine uses on the Dnipro, some of which have been supplied by the U.S.

3/25/2024 Sitrep

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

INTERNATIONAL

8:00 AM: Britain's Deputy Prime Minister accuses China of cyberattacks on British politicians, Bloomberg.

8:00 AM: The Indian Navy handed over 35 captured Somali pirates to the police in Mumbai for the first time. They face life imprisonment, — Reuters.

8:00 AM: Former Slovak Foreign Minister Ivan Korchok has won the first round of the presidential election, Reuters.

8:00 AM: China's coast guard fired water cannons at Philippine ships in the disputed waters of the South China Sea. The Philippines reported the wounded.

8:35 AM: One Russian cruise missile flew for 39 seconds into the territory of Poland in the area of the village of Oserdów (on the Ukrainian border, due north of Lv'iv), — the country's Ministry of Defense.

- At that time, the missile was monitored by radars and "all necessary safety measures were taken." After that, the rocket changed its course and went to Lviv.

1:24 PM: Polish Minister Władysław Kosiniak-Kamys explained why the Polish Air Force did not shoot down the Russian missile:

- "Each such situation is considered individually. But if there were any signs that this object was headed for some target located on the territory of Poland, it would obviously have been shot down," Kosiniak-Kamysh said.

7:42 PM: Britain warns Putin not to use Crocus City Hall attack as excuse to escalate war, The Telegraph.

- "Putin's desire to blame Ukraine is not surprising, as he is trying to deceive the Russian people even more by pretending that there is no disagreement within Russia," - said a source from the British security service.
- The head of the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the House of Commons, Alicia Kearns, noted that there are no signs of Ukraine's involvement in the terrorist attack.

9:30 PM: The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Poland calls the Russian ambassador "on the carpet" because of the violation of Polish airspace by a Russian missile, — Polsat News.

9:30 PM: Georgian military officer Tengiz Chaniya, who fought on the side of the Armed Forces of Ukraine, was killed during a missile attack by the Russian Federation, — News Georgia.

9:30 PM: European Parliament votes to introduce instant bank transfers in the EU, DW.

- all transfers in euros within the entire EU will have to be made within 10 seconds, regardless of the day and time of day._

10:32 PM: Speaker of the US House of Representatives Johnson plans to submit a bill for further funding of aid to Ukraine after Catholic Easter

- This was reported by Republican congressman Michael McCaul to the CBS channel.
- This year, Catholic Easter falls on April 1st.
- Congress returns from their Easter Recess on April 9th.

11:12 PM: France has decided to raise the terrorist threat level in the country to the highest level, the Prime Minister of the country announced on the social network Kh.

- After the terrorist attack in Moscow, the President of France convened a meeting of the NSDC in the Elysee Palace this evening, where the corresponding decision was made.

NATIONAL

12:19 AM: Current air alert map as of 00:15

- The threat of attack UAVs for the Cherkasy region, the Air Force reports.
- UAVs from Kirovohrad region and Cherkasy region are moving in the direction of Vinnytsia region.

1:42 AM: The activity of 4 Tu-95MS aircraft from the "Olenya" airfield (Murmansk region) was recorded, flying in a southeast direction, the Air Force reports.

- 14 Tu-95MS are in the air

2:46 AM: The Air Force of the Armed Forces of Ukraine reports the movement of UAVs:

- Khmelnytskyi — UAV in the western direction;

- Vinnytsia — UAV on a northwesterly course;
- UAV from the Mykolaiv region in the direction of Dnipropetrovsk.

3:27 AM: Missile threat in southern and eastern regions, — Ukrainian Air Force Command.

- Launches of cruise missiles from Tu-95MS aircraft were recorded.

4:33 AM: The Air Force reports the movement of a missile in the direction of Kyiv region.

- A group of cruise missiles in the direction of Vinnytsia region.

4:56 AM: 2 groups of rockets in Vinnytsia are moving in the western direction, Ukrainian Air Force Command.

- A group of rockets in the Khmelnytsky region heading west.

5:10 AM: A group of missiles through Khmelnytskyi to Ternopil, — Ukrainian Air Force Command.

- Rockets are also moving through the Zhytomyr region in the direction of the Rivne region.

- KR from Ternopil Oblast to Lviv Oblast, — PS.

7:00 AM: Summary of Battlefield events from March 24, General Command report from 06:00 25 March:



PHOTO: GENERAL STAFF OF THE ARMED FORCES

Last day, Russian invaders attacked 7 directions of the front, most actively stormed the Novopavlivskyi direction, in total 60 combat clashes took place.

- **Details: On the Volyn and Poliske directions** the operational situation remains without significant changes.
- **On the Siverskyi and Slobozhanskyi directions** the enemy maintains a military presence in the border areas, conducts sabotage activities in order to prevent the transfer of our troops to threatening directions, increases the density of mine and explosive barriers along the state border.
- **On the Kupyansk direction** Defense forces repelled an enemy attack in the area of Sinkivka settlement of Kharkiv region.
- **On the Lymansky direction** our soldiers repelled 8 enemy attacks in the areas of Belogorivka, Luhansk region and Yampolivka, Vesele, Donetsk region, where the enemy, with the support of aviation, tried to break through the defenses of our troops.
- **In the direction of Bakhmut** our soldiers repelled 8 enemy attacks in the areas of Bohdanivka, Klishchiivka, Andriivka settlements of the Donetsk region.
- **In the Avdiiv direction**, our defenders repelled 10 enemy attacks in the areas of settlements of Berdychi, Pervomayske, Donetsk region.
- **On the Novopavlovsk direction** The defense forces continue to restrain the enemy in the areas of Krasnohorivka, Georgiivka, Novomykhailivka, Urozhaine settlements, where the enemy, with the support of aviation, tried 25 times to break through the defenses of our troops.
- **On the Orihiv direction** 3 times, the enemy, with the support of aviation, attacked the positions of our defenders in the areas of settlements of Staromayorske of Donetsk region and Robotyn of Zaporizhzhya region.
- **On the Kherson direction** the enemy does not give up its intention to knock out the Ukrainian units from the bridgeheads on the left bank of the Dnieper. Yes, during the past day, the enemy launched an unsuccessful attack on the positions of our troops.

- At the same time, our soldiers continue to actively inflict losses in manpower and equipment on the occupying troops, exhausting the enemy along the entire line of battle.
- During the past day, the aviation of the Defense Forces struck 8 areas of concentration of personnel, weapons and military equipment of the enemy.
- Units of the missile forces damaged 2 anti-aircraft defenses, 3 artillery and 1 EW station of the enemy.

8:28 AM: Air defense forces destroyed 43 air targets during the night: 18 missiles and 25 attack UAVs.

- the Russians attacked Ukraine with 29 X-101/X-555 cruise missiles and 28 Shahed-type attack UAVs.

9:31 AM: Attention! The threat of using ballistic weapons in areas where an air alert has been declared — Air Force of the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

- Don't Ignore Airborne Alarms!

11:38 AM: As a result of the Russian attack, there is damage to energy facilities in the Dnipropetrovsk, Kyiv and Lviv regions, — Ukrenergo.

- There is no shortage of electricity, but in Odesa and Khmelnytskyi regions, with the increase in electricity consumption, blackouts are possible.
- In Kharkiv, hourly restrictions have been introduced for 200,000 subscribers due to significant damage.

1:41 PM: The Ministry of Energy of Ukraine confirmed the arrival of an oil depot in the temporarily occupied Crimea.

- It is about the arrivals at the oil depot near the village of Gvardiyske.
- According to information from open sources, the object was attacked by drones. There is also an assumption that the Gvardiyskyi garrison was hit.

2:16 PM: An air alert has been issued in a number of areas.

The Air Force reports the threat of using ballistic

2:44 PM: StratCom of the ZSU showed a Ukrainian fortification structure that can withstand the impact of projectiles with a diameter of up to 155 millimeters.

3:03 PM: As of 12:00 p.m., DTEK energy workers managed to restore power to all homes in Odessa.

- " _However, in the event of an increase in electricity consumption, outages are possible according to the schedule of stabilization outages_ ", the press service of DTEK notes.
- Energy companies are doing everything possible to return to normal electricity supply as soon as possible.

3:14 PM: An air alert has been issued in a number of areas.

- The Air Force reports the threat of using ballistic weapons.
- 3:28 PM: Russians are continuing the construction of a railway in the occupied territories of Ukraine, the first branch of which has already been completed to Berdyansk.
- This is stated in the British intelligence report.
- However, intelligence points out that this rail connection runs through territory that can be hit by Ukrainian high-precision long-range systems._

6:31 PM: The Russian attack on Ukraine's power grid on March 22 was the largest-ever full-scale invasion.

- According to the general director of YASNO Serhiy Kovalenko, DTEK lost 50% of generation facilities.
- "[...] _How much time and money is needed for restoration - we will find out in a few more days. I can definitely say that this process will not take a day, a week or a month_", Kovalenko says.

7:54 PM: Summary of the General Staff of the Armed Forces of Ukraine as of the evening of March 24:

- During the day, 52 combat clashes were recorded.
- Aviation of the Defense Forces struck 8 areas where the enemy's personnel, weapons and military equipment were concentrated.
- Units of missile troops hit 2 anti-aircraft defenses, 3 artillery and 1 electronic warfare station_ of the enemy.

8:30 PM: the Russian Federation can defeat Ukraine with the help of Ukrainians themselves - because of their negative attitude towards the TCC and evasion of military service.

- This was stated by the commander of the Ground Forces of the Ukrainian Armed Forces, Lieutenant General Oleksandr Pavlyuk.
- "[...] How did it come to the point that it became acceptable to treat these people who went through hell as enemies and call them "manhunters",_ - writes Pavlyuk.

- According to him, most of the materials in the media about "illegal actions of the TCC" such as "packing in beads" in principle do not contain what exactly led to such consequences in the behavior of the heroes of the material.

8:38 PM: Current air alert map as of 8:35 PM

- The Air Force warns of the threat of using ballistic weapons in areas where an air alert has been declared.
- The air alert in the Sumy region is related to the activity of enemy tactical aircraft in the north-eastern direction.

8:45 PM: In his evening address, Volodymyr Zelenskyi talked about future aid packages for Ukraine from partners.

- "The European Union - a decision on the Aid Fund for Ukraine in the amount of 5 billion euros. There is also a new tranche of macrofinance from the European Union - 4.5 billion euros. The IMF - there is a decision on a new tranche, almost 900 million dollars. Canada - there is 2 billion Canadian dollars of macrofinance, of direct budgetary support", _ - the president noted.

9:59 PM: The decision on the end of the heating season in the regions affected by Russian missiles will be made separately and depending on the ambient temperature, Chairman of the Board Volodymyr Kudrytskyi said on the air of the telethon.

- "When the heating season ends, people sometimes heat up with electrical appliances. And this creates an additional load on the energy system. In those regions that were heavily affected by Russian attacks, these decisions will be made separately," he emphasized.

MORDOR – ruZZia

7:37 AM: In the morning, explosions rang out in the temporarily occupied Crimea.

- Local authorities report a fire at an oil depot in Gvardiyskyi.

10:24 AM: Defense forces of Ukraine have successfully hit large amphibious ships "Yamal" and "Azov", a communications center, as well as several infrastructure facilities of the Russian Federation in temporarily occupied Sevastopol.

- This was reported in the General Staff of the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

3:56 PM: The Kuibyshev oil refinery in the Samara region has suspended its work after a drone attack, — rosZMI.

- "As a result of the attack on the refinery in Samara, the AVT-4 installation was damaged, the production cycle of the plant was stopped_", the message says.

7:24 PM: Satellite images of the consequences of a missile attack on the communication hub of the Russian Federation in the temporarily occupied Sevastopol have appeared.

- The Planet Labs satellite recorded damage to one of the buildings on Rudneviya Street.
- The pictures show that the roof of the building collapsed after the missile strike. Fire department vehicles can also be seen near the building.

8:57 PM: An explosion rang out in Nizhny Novgorod, local media reported.

11:53 PM: The head of the GUR Kyrylo Budanov told how a Russian goat once saved a group of Ukrainian scouts.

- "At some point, she broke forward, stepped on a mine - the goat was gone. No matter how sad, she saved the whole group," he said.

REGIONS

KYIV



5:03 AM: Kyiv head to a shelter, the Air Force reports.

- In Kyiv, there is an air defense warning, KMVA.

5:34 AM: In the Desnyansk district of Kyiv, fragments of the rocket fell in a wooded area, Vitaliy Klitschko reports.

- Fire and rescue units are heading to the scene.

7:30 AM: In the Shevchenkiv district of Kyiv, debris fell on the territory of the park zone and on the territory of residential buildings, — KMVA.

- As a result, damage to the facade of a multi-story residential building was recorded. There was no fire, there is no information about the victims.

SUMY



4:36 PM: the Russians fired three high-explosive aerial bombs at the village of Peremoga in the Sumy Oblast, reported Bilopol city mayor Yuriy Zarko.

- "As a result, houses, cars, garages and an energy infrastructure object were damaged. The village is temporarily without electricity, gas and water. Miraculously, people were not hurt", - says Zarko.

KHARKIV



10:10 AM: A woman was injured in Kupyansk as a result of shelling by the Russian army, and a man died in the village of Vovchanski Khutory, — the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine.

- Residential buildings, cars, commercial buildings were damaged.

4:21 PM: For the defense of Kharkiv and the region before the start of the Russian invasion, cargoes of weapons were transported to the city.

- This was stated by the head of the State Department of the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine Kyrylo Budanov.
- "Two or three weeks before the start of hostilities, our officers sent batches of small arms along with grenade launchers, of course, explosives, etc., to the city of Kharkiv to create, let's say, a militia from the locals. This helped", says Budanov.
- According to the officer of the GUR MOU with the call sign "Vito", the number of volunteers who stood up for the defense of Kharkiv exceeded all expectations - there were not enough weapons brought.

6:56 PM: As a result of the Russian shelling, all transformer substations of Kharkiv were destroyed, the mayor of the city Igor Terekhov said.

- The local CHP was also damaged, currently 40% of residential buildings in the city have been restored.
- The head of NEC "Ukrenergo" Volodymyr Kudrytskyi also commented on the latest Russian attacks on energy facilities in Ukraine:
- "According to preliminary calculations, the damage check that will be presented to the enemy for the latest attacks reaches at least 90-100

million euros, if we talk only about the high-voltage equipment of Ukrenergo_".

DONETSK



9:39 AM: Launches of guided air bombs by tactical aircraft in Donetsk region, — Air Force of the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

11:41 AM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in temporarily occupied Mariupol.

11:48 AM: The adviser to the mayor of the city, Petro Andryushchenko, confirmed the explosions in the temporarily occupied Mariupol.

- "The epicenter is closer to Livoberezhny district. the Russians write about air defense, but you are in the know," the message said.

6:10 PM: As a result of Russian strikes on Krasnohorivka, three people were injured, the Donetsk Regional Prosecutor's Office reports.

- Among the injured are two women aged 57 and 64 and a 70-year-old man.
- All victims with bruises, shrapnel wounds and bruises were taken to a medical facility.

ZAPORIZHIA



5:05 PM: In the temporarily occupied territory of the Zaporizhzhia region, the adviser to the head of the Russian republic Tyva, the official Nikolay Khvan, died in a road accident.

- This was announced by the adviser to the mayor of the temporarily occupied Mariupol, Petro Andryushchenko.
- Khvan flew to the meeting, crashed into "Ural" and died on the spot.

DNIPRO



12:16 PM: The State Border Service published the work of border guards on Russian "martyrs" in the Dnipropetrovsk region.

5:58 PM: Schedules of emergency power outages are being introduced in Kryvyi Rih.

- Oleksandr Vilkul, the head of the City Defense Council, announced this.

- "Hospitals, pumping stations, and other critical infrastructure facilities will switch to generators," Vilkul writes.

KHERSON



5:17 PM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in Kherson.

10:46 PM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in Kherson

MYKOLAIV



7:03 PM: Air defense forces destroyed two Russian reconnaissance UAVs in the Mykolaiv region.

- It is about Supercam and 1 operational-tactical level drone.

7:06 PM: Stabilization shutdown schedules are used in Odesa, — DTEK.

- The reason is the increase in electricity consumption during evening peak hours.

ODESA



11:23 PM: The Air Force warns of a missile threat in the Odesa region.

3keta in the region of Bilhorod-Dnistrovska, the vector of movement is north.

- Several groups of attack enemy UAVs in the waters of the Black Sea, the vector of movement is north-west (Odesa).

IVANO FRANKIVSK



9:51 AM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in Ivano-Frankivsk region.

LVIV-



5:16 AM: Lviv — shelter, — Ukrainian Air Force Command.

- rocket to Stryi.

6:56 AM: About 20 rockets and 7 rockets were fired at the Lviv region, Lviv Mayor Andriy Sadovy reported.

- "The target is objects of critical infrastructure. No flights have been recorded in Lviv. It is known about shelling in the Lviv region. The regional authorities will inform about the consequences," he added.

9:35 AM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in Khmelnytskyi and Lviv regions.

5:37 PM: Firefighters put out a fire at a critical infrastructure facility in the Lviv region, which was attacked by the Russians at night and in the morning.

- This was announced by the head of the Lviv OVA Maksym Kozytskyi.

Institute for the Study of War – Report from March 24, 2024

- Ukrainian forces struck a Black Sea Fleet (BSF) communications center in occupied Sevastopol, Crimea, and reportedly struck an oil depot and at least partially damaged two BSF landing ships on the night of March 23.
- Russian forces conducted a series of drone and missile strikes against Ukrainian energy infrastructure on the night of February 23 to 24, mainly targeting southern and western Ukraine.
- Russian forces are reportedly approaching the outskirts of Chasiv Yar, Donetsk Oblast but are unlikely to threaten the settlement with encirclement or seizure in the coming months.

- The seizure of Chasiv Yar would offer Russian forces limited but not insignificant operational benefits if they could achieve it.
- The Islamic State's (IS) Amaq News Agency published footage on March 23 purportedly filmed from the perspective of the attackers involved in the March 22 Crocus City Hall attack.
- Russian officials proposed more anti-migrant policies in response to the Crocus City Hall attack.
- Chechen Republic Head Ramzan Kadyrov expressed concerns about Russian ultranationalist reactions to the Crocus City Hall attack.
- Russian forces recently made confirmed advances near Bakhmut, Avdiivka, and Donetsk City amid continued positional fighting along the entire line of contact on March 24.
- Russian President Vladimir Putin signed a law on March 23 establishing a legal basis for enrolling members of the All-Russian Cossack Society into the Russian military's mobilization reserve, likely as part of ongoing crypto-mobilization and military formalization efforts.

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 18	Mar 19	Mar 20	Mar 21	Mar 24
Duration	9 years and 9 months	After 753 days	After 754 days	After 755 days	After 756 days	After 759 days
Military Personnel Liquidated	14,453	432,390	433,090	433,840	434,710	437,390

Material Losses

Tanks	147	6,819	6,828	6,832	6,840	6,887
Armored Personnel Carriers	1,314	13,049	13,058	13,074	13,111	13,183
Artillery, Mortars, and Ballistic Rocket launchers	433	10,715	10,731	10,758	10,793	10,895
Cruise Missiles		1,922	1,922	1,922	1,953	2,010
Fighters Bombers	118	347	347	347	347	347
Helicopters	333	325	325	325	325	325

Drones		8,318	8,355	8,365	8,388	8,539
Anti Aircraft Missile Batteries		721	721	721	723	726
Cargo/Fuel/ other transport	11,36 9	14,191	14,198	14,242	14,287	14,454
Naval Vessels		26 = 1 submar ine	26 + 1 submar ine	26 + 1 submar ine	26 + 1 submar ine	26 + 1 submar ine
Specialized equipment		1,735	1,738	1,741	1,749	1,785

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