

# News From Ukraine

Russian Invasion of Ukraine

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[“These Politicians Voted Against Their States’ Best Interests on Ukraine Aid”](#)/by Marc Thiessen, Columnist, Washington Post

This is a very juicy article listing the members of the House and Senate who voted against aid to Ukraine, even though their Congressional Districts and States will benefit from the money that will be spent in their jurisdictions to help Ukraine defeat Russia.

Some excerpts:

- “31 senators and House members opposed the aid that is creating good jobs for the communities they represent while stopping Russian forces massacring innocent Ukrainian men, women and children.”
- Although a majority of House members voted no on the actual bill, Thiessen reported that “Seven House Republicans who voted against Ukraine aid going to their districts [did vote for the rule](#) that allowed Speaker Mike Johnson (La.) to bring the bill to the floor — without which aid could not have moved forward. These are: Reps. Mike Bost (Ill.), Glenn Grothman (Wis.), Michael Guest (Miss.), Jim Jordan (Ohio), John Joyce (Penn.), Trent Kelly (Miss.) and Dale W. Strong (Ala.).” **A majority of Republicans voted in favor of bringing the bill to the House floor. It is almost certain that the 7 who changed their votes knew what the outcome would be.**
- “Some senators were so opposed to helping Ukraine that they were willing to block aid to Israel and Taiwan and sanctions on America’s

adversaries while allowing Russia to keep billions in frozen assets and permitting the Chinese Communist Party to continue spying on more than 100 million American TikTok users.”

- “Among those 15 senators were five who had previously voted to approve military assistance to Ukraine but flipped to oppose it this time. Florida Republican Sens. Rick Scott and Marco Rubio both voted against money for their constituents to produce [High Mobility Artillery Rocket](#) launchers (HIMARS) in Palm Bay, Fla., and [Vampire anti-drone](#) munitions in Melbourne, Fla. Texas Sen. Ted Cruz (R) opposed aid money that is [building a brand new plant](#) to produce 155mm artillery shells in Mesquite, Tex. Wisconsin Sen. Ron Johnson (R) voted against money to produce Mine Resistant Ambush Protected All-Terrain Vehicles and Stryker upgrade systems in Oshkosh, Wis. And Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders (I) [opposed the bill](#) because of its included aid to Israel — allowing his hatred of what he called the “extremist Netanyahu government” to cause him to vote against arming Ukraine with [AIM-9X Sidewinder missiles](#) produced in St. Albans, Vt.” **The reason why this facility was in St. Albans in the first place, a rural part of Vermont with limited employment opportunities, was likely because of the efforts of one of Sanders’ predecessors. This is standard operating procedure in congressional politics – “I’ll vote yes if you promise to put facilities in my State.”**
- “Some Senate opponents defended their votes against their constituents with blatant falsehoods. For example, Sen. Josh Hawley (R-Mo.) [tweeted](#): “Another \$60 billion for Ukraine. Not a penny for Missouri.” This is flat wrong. Missouri has in fact received at least \$600 million in Ukraine aid so far. The money Hawley opposes is going to build two weapons systems for Ukraine in St. Charles, Mo. — the Joint Direct Attack Munition-Extended Range and GLSDBs — as well as MIM-104 Patriot missile systems in West Plains, Mo. How does Hawley not know this? And why is he voting against good defense manufacturing jobs in his state?” **Is Hawley saying that his reason for voting against aid to Ukraine is solely based on Missouri not getting any money?**

**By making this statement, Hawley not only admits that has no principles but, as Thiessen pointed out, he's lying.**

- “Sen. Tommy Tuberville (R-Ala.) did not vote [but tweeted](#) his opposition to the aid package, declaring: “Globalist Democrats want to use this opportunity to send EVEN MORE MONEY to Ukraine. ... I haven't voted for a dime of Ukraine funding — and I'm not going to start now.” Actually, the money is going to workers in Anniston, Ala., to help produce [Bradley infantry fighting vehicles](#) and [Hercules recovery vehicles](#); workers in Huntsville, Ala., producing Hydra 70 rockets; and workers in Troy, Ala., producing HIMARS [and Javelin missiles](#) for Ukraine. Tuberville's opposition to not only hurts Ukraine but also defense manufacturing communities across his state.” **As with the case of St. Albans, Vermont, these facilities are in Alabama likely because of the efforts of one, or more, of Tuberville's predecessors.**
- And then, there's J.D. Vance - “Sen. J.D. Vance (R-Ohio) dismisses the economic benefits of the military aid he has opposed, [declaring](#), “The notion that we should prolong a bloody and gruesome war because it's been good for American business is grotesque.” Actually, it is Russian leader Vladimir Putin's brutal thirst for conquest that is prolonging the war. And what is grotesque is suggesting that Ohio workers are profiting from a “bloody and gruesome war” when they are in fact helping Ukrainians protect their families by churning out Guided Multiple Launch Rocket Systems in Springboro and [Abrams tanks](#) and [Stryker combat vehicles](#) in [Lima](#). The aid money he opposes is both saving lives and creating good union jobs in Ohio.”
- And then there's “Arkansas Sen. John Boozman (R), who had [previously opposed Ukraine aid](#), voted this time [in favor of helping Ukraine](#) defend itself with Ground-Launched Small Diameter Bombs (GLSDB) and Army Tactical Missile Systems made in Camden, Ark., and Joint Direct Attack Munition-Extended Range Glide Bombs (JDAM) produced in Rogers, Ark. “By countering Russian, Chinese and Iranian aggression, we are emboldening the allies of freedom and

making strategic investments in our own defense capabilities, including through vital arms manufacturing operations in Camden, Arkansas,” he [declared in a statement](#). Good for him.”

Last Tuesday night, a majority of senators from both Parties voted in favor of aid to Ukraine.

There seems to be a change in the calculus, concerning the views of members of the Republican Party on supporting Ukraine. Sen. Lindsay Graham (R-S. Carolina), one of the Senators who flipped his vote from no to yes, went to Kyiv just before the final vote and he met with Pres. Zelenskyy. Did he go to meet Pres. Zelenskyy as an emissary for Donald Trump? It seems that a majority of Republican Senators, and a near majority of House members, including Speaker Mike Johnson, are willing to buck the assumed views of Donald Trump concerning aiding Ukraine (with emphasis on the word, “assumed”).

#### Kudos to the Ukrainian Embassy

A good portion of the credit for the vote should likely go to Ambassador Oksana Makarova and her staff at the Ukrainian Embassy in Washington. Based on accounts that I’ve seen; before the vote the Ukrainian Embassy had been very busy reaching out to Republicans in both Houses. If so, they didn’t believe what all the pundits were reporting, about Republicans being unpersuadable when it comes to aiding Ukraine. The decision of Ukraine’s First Lady to decline Pres. Biden’s invitation to sit next to Jill Biden at the State of the Union address may have been the result of the Embassy not wanting to promote the appearance that Ukraine was too close to the White House. The news about persecution of Evangelical Christians in temporarily occupied Ukraine must have gotten the attention of Speaker Michael Johnson, himself an Evangelical Christian. Diplomacy in action.

[Interview With Former President Petro Poroshenko](#)/Times Radio “Frontline” (18 minutes)

To me, the most interesting part of the video started at 13:30 when he was asked about his differences with Pres. Zelenskyy, which included Zelenskyy’s

Government indicting Poroshenko for treason. Legal proceedings haven't ended, but they've been suspended until the end of the war.

In an answer to a question about whether he would want the opportunity to clear his name at trial, at 14:50 into the video Poroshenko stated that everyone who initiated the charges against him are now in Russia. It was Pres. Zelenskyy's Government that brought the charges against Poroshenko. Is Poroshenko implying that Zelenskyy's Government was conspiring with Russian agents to bring these charges against him? At 15:30 into the video Poroshenko seemed to imply that the reason why he was being charged was that, in mid 2014 as President, he ordered the counteroffensive against Russian proxies that led to Ukraine nearly taking back all of Donbas, or at the end of 2018 that he supported the "Tomos," giving the Ukrainian Orthodox Church independence from the Moscow Patriarchate. Stay tuned.

#### News From the Battlefield

["Reporting From Ukraine's"](#) coverage of the fighting around Krasnahorivka, west of Avdiivka, illustrates what the Head of Ukraine's Intelligence, Gen. Kyrylo Budanov, was talking about, when he said that Ukraine may be in for a difficult Month of May.

The ["Latest Denys"](#) makes similar predictions, based on recent Russian advances. At 5:00 into the video Denys reports on a \$6 billion weapons contract with the U.S., separate to what was signed by Pres. Biden last Wednesday. According to Denys, this contract includes Patriot missiles that were not included in the equipment now on its way to Ukraine. Also, a new Ramstein Contact Group meeting is expected to address Ukraine's need of additional Patriot batteries.

The U.S. has already delivered ATACMS to Ukraine, and they were used to hit an airbase near the city of Dzhankoi, Crimea, where 4 S-400 anti-aircraft missile systems were destroyed. The U.S. either has delivered, or is delivering, the ATACMS version with the unitary warhead, big enough to take out the Kerch Bridge. Keep in mind that Putin is being inaugurated for his new term as President on May 7<sup>th</sup>, and Victory Day is May 9<sup>th</sup>. Once again, stay tuned.

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

## INTERNATIONAL

8:00 AM: US can provide support to Ukraine through 2024, White House.

8:00 AM: Italy and Ukraine will sign an agreement on the restoration of Odesa on May 15, - the head of the Italian Foreign Ministry, Antonio Tajani.

8:00 AM: Russia vetoed the draft resolution of the UN Security Council against the proliferation of weapons, including nuclear weapons, in outer space, Serhiy Kislytsia, Ukraine's ambassador to the UN, said.

8:00 AM: Israel strikes about 40 Hezbollah sites in Lebanon, Times of Israel.

4:00 PM: Lithuania can help Ukraine in returning men of conscription age, but there is no concrete mechanism yet.

- This was stated by the Minister of Defense of Lithuania, Laurinas Kaschyunas, Delfi reports.
- "But (restrict persons - ed.) in terms of social benefits, work permits, documents - these are options that I hear from the Polish side as well. So let's wait and see what option they offer, maybe it will be suitable for Lithuania as well," - Kaschyunas noted.

4:59 PM: Ukrainians can stay in Germany even with an invalid passport.

- This is reported by DW with reference to a representative of the Berlin Senate.
- "Granting or extending a temporary residence permit to Ukrainian refugees in Germany does not necessarily require that they have a valid passport. The main thing is that the German authorities have at least some opportunity to establish their identity," the publication writes.

8:15 PM: Denmark will increase direct military support to Ukraine in 2024 by €590 million.

- The purpose of military support within the framework of the Ukrainian Fund in 2023-2028 and in the future will be to provide direct military support to Ukraine in the form of weapons, other military materials and training activities.

- This includes, among other things, the purchase of materials and weapons etc. by the Danish and foreign defense industry for the purpose of donation to Ukraine, as well as financial donations and cooperation with other countries in support of Ukraine.

9:19 PM: The European Parliament urged not to start negotiations with Georgia on EU membership because of the law on "foreign agents".

9:19 PM: The US plans to triple the production of artillery ammunition to 100,000 155 mm shells per month, Defense One reports.

9:19 PM: Polish President Duda plans to discuss with Prime Minister Tusk the placement of nuclear weapons on Polish territory, — Euractiv.

9:39 PM: "Let's be honest, in recent months NATO allies have not provided the support [to Ukraine] that we promised... But it is not too late for Ukraine to win, because even more help is on the way," NATO Secretary General said Jens Stoltenberg during today's visit to Berlin.

10:30 PM: Ukraine handed Qatar a list of the names of 561 Ukrainian children who were deported to the Russian Federation, reported Ombudsman Dmytro Lubinets.

- "We discussed the issue of returning orphans and children deprived of parental care. Qatar agreed to work out the issue of their return to Ukraine. Preliminary - there may be more than 3,600 such children," the Ombudsman said.
- Qatar agreed to participate in negotiations with the Russian Federation regarding the return of civilians who were illegally detained by Russia, he added.

11:29 PM: The US State Department does not know whether it will help Ukraine return Ukrainian men from abroad.

- The official representative of the US diplomatic office in Brussels, Daniel Saizek, noted that Ukraine "has the right to determine its own policy."
- "There is no decision or position of the US government yet. This is a very difficult issue for us, we don't know what to do," said a representative of the US Embassy in Brussels.

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**NATIONAL**

7:00 AM: Battleground summary of the Ukrainian Armed Forces Command for April 24 as of 6:00 am, April 25.

Read in: < 1 min. April 26, 2024, 6:57 am



During the past day, 114 combat clashes took place. In total, the enemy carried out 4 missile and 75 air strikes, carried out 66 attacks from rocket salvo systems on the positions of our troops and populated areas.

- In the Kupyan direction, our soldiers repelled 10 attacks in the areas of the settlements of Kislivka, Berestov in the Kharkiv region and Stelmakhivka in the Luhansk region.
- In the Lymansky direction, the enemy carried out 20 attacks in the areas of Druzhelyubivka settlements of the Kharkiv region; Makiivka, Serebryan Forestry, Luhansk Oblast; Torske, Terny, Zarichne of Donetsk region.
- In the Bakhmut direction, 26 attacks were repelled in the areas of Belogorivka settlements of Luhansk region; Verkhokamyanske, Novy,

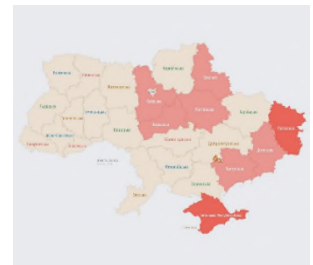


Mykolaivka, Vyimka, Spirne, Ivanovske, Klishchiivka of the Donetsk region.

- In the Avdiyiv direction, our defenders repelled more than 30 attacks in the areas of Ocheretine, Umanske, Nevelske, Keramik, Berdychi, and Netaylovye settlements of the Donetsk region.
- In the direction of Novopavlivsk, the Defense Forces continue to hold back the enemy in the areas of Krasnohorivka, Pobyeda, Novomykhailivka, and Vodiane settlements of the Donetsk region, where the enemy tried to break through the defenses of our troops 19 times.
- In the Orykhiv direction, the enemy attacked the positions of our defenders 2 times in the Staromayorsky area of the Donetsk region and in the Robotyn region of the Zaporizhzhia region.
- In the Kherson direction, the enemy does not give up its intention to knock out our units from the bridgeheads on the left bank of the Dnieper. Yes, during the past day, he carried out 3 unsuccessful attacks on the positions of our troops.

4:53 AM: The Air Force warns of the threat of using air strikes for frontline areas due to the activity of enemy tactical aircraft in the east and south.

6:28 AM: The Air Force reports a missile threat in areas where the air alert has been declared.



8:45 AM: Operators of the 3rd separate SSO regiment during aerial reconnaissance discovered the Russian BUK-M1 air defense system and corrected a missile strike on it.

10:05 AM: Volodymyr Zelenskyi met with Chancellor of the Exchequer of Great Britain Jeremy Hunt.

- "Special attention was paid to the sanctions policy. It is important to expand restrictive measures against Russia and make it impossible to circumvent sanctions," the president said.


10:32 AM: Attention! Missile danger throughout the territory of Ukraine! The takeoff of the MiG-31K was recorded, — the Air Force of the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

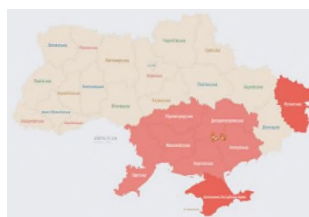
1:02 PM: FPV drone operators of the "Medoid" tactical group of the 3rd SSO regiment published a video of the destruction of Russian heavy equipment.



1:05 PM: Attention! The threat of using ballistic weapons from the east, — the Air Force of the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

1:42 PM: More than UAH 1M collected for 100 FPVs with batteries and a ground station for the SSO of the Armed Forces

- In just a few days, the lion's share of the collection was closed. The goal is UAH 1,677,000! 



1:54 PM: Attention! Missile danger throughout the territory of Ukraine! The takeoff of the MiG-31K was recorded, — the Air Force of the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

2:30 PM: The National Bank has again lowered the discount rate — now from 14.5% to 13.5% per annum, NBU Chairman Andriy Pishnyi announced.

- The decision was made "taking into account the weakening of the actual and expected price pressure, as well as the reduction of risks for the receipt of international financial support."
- According to Pyshnyi, this will help to support the development of lending and recovery of the economy without additional risks for price and financial stability.

3:45 PM: Ukrainian TCCs will not work abroad, said Dmytro Lazutkin, spokesman for the International Monetary Fund.

- "[...] the Ministry of Defense cannot comment on certain actions of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. This (handing of subpoenas abroad — ed.) looks quite unrealistic," Lazutkin noted.
- The spokesperson of the Ministry of Defense noted that men "do not necessarily need to go to Ukraine" to update their military registration data. They will be able to do this in consular offices, as well as through the electronic office.
- Lazutkin assumes that the electronic office of the conscript will be able to start working already in June 2024.

4:40 PM: An air alert has been issued in a number of areas.

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



4:46 PM: Takeoff of the MiG-31K, — PS ZSU.

5:38 PM: The "BULAVA" unit together with the "Chimeras" of the 20th OBSP and the "Sparrows" unit of the 762nd DSST battalion repulse the enemy assault.

6:12 PM: Volodymyr Zelenskyy held another meeting of the Stavka.

- Main questions:
  - ▪ protection of vital objects for the country - the president made relevant instructions and determined the terms of implementation;
  - ▪ withdrawal from the front - the main directions, our actions and probable actions of the enemy, provision of the army with everything necessary;
  - ▪ contracts with Ukrainian manufacturers — Ukraine works, in particular, with partners to manufacture weapons with foreign funds.

6:19 PM: Assets of former "daughters" of Russian banks in Ukraine have already been sold for UAH 5 billion — these funds will be directed to Ukrainian defense and economy.

- This is reported by the Ministry of Economy of Ukraine.
- "The ownership of the former "daughters" of Russian state banks are the first assets of the aggressor country that worked for the benefit of Ukraine," Serhiy But, CEO of "Prozorro.Prodazhi" noted.

6:43 PM: Mykola Solsky has resigned from the position of Minister of Agricultural Policy.

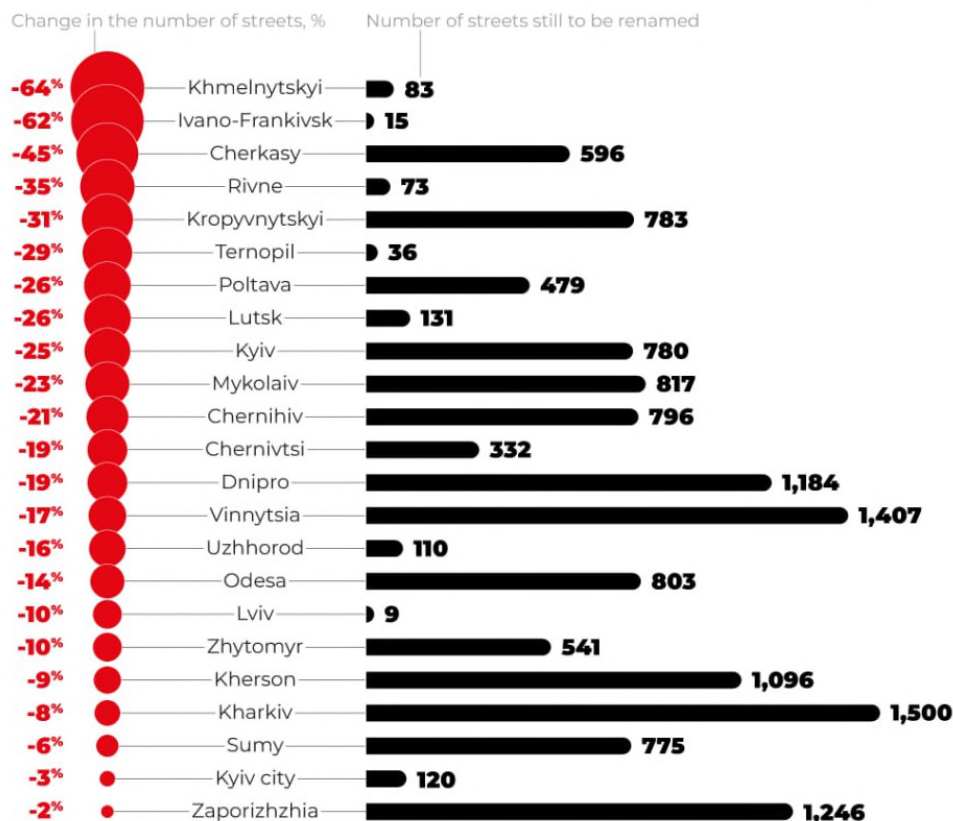
- This was announced by the Speaker of the Parliament, Ruslan Stefanchuk.
- He is suspected of seizing state land worth 291 million hryvnias and trying to get rich on another plot worth 190 million hryvnias.

# PROGRESS IN THE DECOLONIZATION OF UKRAINE

TOP  
LEAD

Ukrainians are rethinking the past and rejecting the view of their own history imposed by Russia. In particular, this is manifested in renaming streets whose names had a "Russian trace." Russian street names masked Ukrainian history even after the restoration of independence.

## How the number of streets with Russian toponyms has changed in 4 months



Source: Decolonisation.Ukraine. Data as of 31.03.2024.

 @TopLeadEU

7:43 PM: Summary of the General Staff of the Armed Forces of Ukraine as of the evening of April 25:

- During the day, 93 combat clashes were recorded.
- Aviation of the Defense Forces struck 2 control points, 8 personnel concentration areas and 3 enemy anti-aircraft missile complexes.
- Units of missile forces hit 1 area of concentration of enemy personnel.

8:29 PM: Volodymyr Zelensky's evening address:

- "We are preparing for tomorrow's Ramstein meeting. We will talk, in particular, about how to quickly overcome the difficulties and

problems that have accumulated for six months, when we were waiting for decisions on American support. Politically, we have already worked for the sake of support. Now we need to work and on filling the bags with the necessary weapons, and on logistics."

8:58 PM: Ukraine's Eurovision contestants Alyona Alyona and Jerry Heil left for Malmö.

- Ukraine will perform on May 7 under number 5, and the grand final will be held on May 11.

11:06 PM: Daria Bilodid became European judo champion for the third time.

- In the weight category up to 57 kilograms, the Ukrainian woman successively won matches against Pihla Salonen (Finland), Achelia Toprak (Azerbaijan), Timna Nelson-Levi from Israel (champion of Europe-2022), Eteri Lipertaliani from Georgia, and Kaia Kaiser from Slovenia.

11:51 PM: Volodymyr Zelenskyy expressed confidence in the victory of Ukraine in an interview with Fox News:

- "We have to win. I don't know what that victory will look like. I don't know a certain day. I don't know exactly how it will happen. I don't know if everyone will be happy that day — because of the losses. But I know we're not we have alternatives. That's why we have to win."

## **MORDOR – ruZZia**

8:00 AM: A number of shipping companies have re-flagged their ships in recent months to avoid attacks by the Houthis in the Red Sea, according to data from analyst firm Windward.

10:50 AM: Tanks with oil products caught fire in the Russian city of Omsk, — rosZMI.

- The area of the fire is 500 square meters.

2:09 PM: China has provided a berth for the Russian cargo ship Angara, which is under US sanctions and is involved in the supply of North Korean weapons to Russia, — Reuters.

- The photos show that the "Angara" is moored in Zhejiang province at the ship repair plant of the largest private ship repair company in

China, Zhoushan Xinya Shipyard. It is noted that this ship transported thousands of containers with ammunition from the DPRK to the Russian Federation.

- The US State Department has already sent a request to China regarding this vessel.

4:21 PM: Head of the KGB of Belarus Tertel said that they allegedly "prevented drone strikes from the territory of Lithuania on objects in Minsk and its suburbs."

- Tertel did not provide any evidence and said that it is "impossible for now" to divulge detailed information. There were also statements about alleged "attempts to transfer weapons from Ukraine and the training of Ukrainian fighters."
- At the same time, the self-proclaimed president of the Republic of Belarus, Lukashenko, claimed that "the Belarusian opposition wants to capture the Kobryn district, announce a new government there and turn to NATO for the introduction of troops."

## REGIONS

## AMOUNTS



10:27 AM: Border guards engaged in a battle with the Russian DRG in Sumy Oblast, — DPSU.

- An enemy ambush with more than a dozen saboteurs was discovered by border guards in one of the directions.

A shooting battle ensued. Units of the State Border Service and the Defense Forces used artillery and mortar fire. As a result of the collision, the enemy retreated.

2:22 PM Social Networks: An explosion is heard in Sumy.



2:47 PM: Russians struck Udachny and Kurakhivka in Donetsk region — 3 people were killed and 1 wounded.

- This was announced by the head of the RMA, Vadym Filashkin.

2:56 PM: The Russian army hit the infrastructure of the city of Sumy with a KAB, — RMA.

- All necessary services are available on site. The consequences of the attack are being clarified.

## KHARKIV



1:11 PM: Kharkiv region - urgently take shelter! A threat from the north, the Air Force of the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

5:14 PM: the Russians hit Balaklia in the Izyum district — previously, five people were injured.

- This was reported by the head of the Kharkiv RMA Oleg Sinegubov.
- According to RMA, the hit was near the railway station.
- The number of victims increased to seven.

6:34 PM: the Russians hit the railway station with a rocket when the victims were in the passenger cars of the electric train "Kharkiv - Izyum".

- This was announced by the head of the Kharkiv RMA Oleg Sinegubov.
- Three women aged 37, 47, 60 and four men aged 39, 49, 49 and 62 received explosive injuries of varying degrees as a result of Russian shelling.

6:57 PM: Combat operations of the "Stormy" brigade as part of the advance operation in Serebryansk Forest.

- An aerial reconnaissance aircraft hit an infantry fighting vehicle with an FPV drone, and an enemy tank with an electronic explosive device detonated on a mine planted by sappers.

7:19 PM: The number of injured as a result of Russian strikes on Balakalia has increased to 10, Kharkiv RMA.

10:11 PM: The number of people injured as a result of the attack on the railway station in Balaklia in the Kharkiv region has increased to 11 people, the regional prosecutor's office reported.



- According to preliminary data, Russian troops hit the station with an "Iskander-M" missile with a fragmentation warhead, which exploded in the air.

## DONETSK



9:40 AM: As a result of Russian shelling, 1 person was injured in the Marinsk community.

- This was reported by the head of the Donetsk RMA, Vadym Filashkin.

- Also, 2 people were wounded in Dobropilla, Pokrovsky district.

7:11 PM: The death toll in Udachny in Donetsk region has risen to 3, four more injured, RMA.

- The administration building, a cultural institution, a coffee shop and about 20 private houses were damaged.

## DNIPRO



10:47 AM Social Networks: An explosion was heard in the Kryvorizka district.

12:03 PM: Rocket in the direction of Kryvyi Rih, — Air Force of

Forces of Ukraine.



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12:06 PM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in Kryvyi Rih.

12:40 PM: Chairman of the Defense Council of Kryvyi Rih Oleksandr Vilkul confirmed the explosions in the city.

- "After the explosion, what was heard. Without specifics, but everything is fine," the message says.

1:04 PM: Defenders from PvK "Shid" shot down an enemy rocket in Kryvorizka district.

- This was announced by the head of Dnipropetrovsk RMA Serhii Lysak.

1:08 PM Social Networks: Repeated explosions are heard in Kryvyi Rih.

3:02 PM: Russians shelled Nikopol with artillery — a 74-year-old woman and a 46-year-old man were injured.

- This was reported by the head of Dnipropetrovsk RMA Serhii Lysak.
- The woman is severe, the man is in a state of moderate severity. Both are hospitalized.

## KHERSON



11:19 AM: In the Kherson region, Russian troops attacked a car with a drone, Kherson RMA.

- On the highway near the village of Osokorivka, the Russians dropped an explosive device from a drone onto a truck.
- A 58-year-old man was injured. He has an explosive injury, injuries to his face and hand.

12:20 PM: Russian shelling of Bilozerka injured two local residents, Kherson RMA.

- Today, a 36-year-old woman and a 30-year-old man turned to the hospital for medical help. They were attacked by the occupation forces a few days ago. The victims have contusions and explosive injuries.

3:12 PM Social Networks: Explosions are heard in Kherson.

3:21 PM: As a result of Russian strikes on Bilozerka, a 57-year-old man was injured, Kherson RMA.

- The victim received an explosive injury and a leg wound, he was already taken to the hospital.

5:43 PM: Explosions were heard in Kherson, subscribers report.

- the Russians are shelling the Dnipro district of the city, reports the head of the MBA Roman Mrochko.

5:59 PM: As a result of Russian strikes on Bilozerka, a 74-year-old local resident was injured - Kherson RMA.

- The man received a contusion, explosive and craniocerebral injuries.

7:33 PM: The rescuers of the Kherson region came under repeated fire from the Russians in the suburbs of the regional center, — DSNS.

- "One of the rescuers was injured, and the housekeeper of the neighboring house also received an injury to her hand. They managed to leave the scene in an ambulance," the report says.

7:58 PM: The SBU detained nine collaborators from the "election commission" of the Russian Federation, which operated during the occupation of the Kherson region.

- Directly on the day of the illegal "referendum", those involved made yard rounds of private homes with "ballot boxes" and collected "votes" accompanied by armed invaders.
- The perpetrators are in custody, now they face up to 10 years in prison.

### MYKOLAIV



11:49 AM: Yesterday in Mykolaiv, two explosions rang out in the parking lot — two soldiers were killed, two more were injured, and five rescuers were also injured, — State Emergency Service.

- The SBI is investigating violations of the rules for handling weapons. Previously, the military carelessly transferred ammunition from one car to another. After the first explosion, when the soldiers were injured, cars caught fire near the epicenter of the explosion. Rescuers arrived at the scene and a second explosion occurred.

### ODESSA



3:10 PM: Enemy UAV (presumably reconnaissance) - in the suburbs of Odesa, - PS ZSU.

### CHERKASY



6:44 AM Social Networks: Sounds like explosions were heard in Cherkasy.

9:19 AM: As a result of the morning Russian attack, a critical infrastructure facility in Cherkasy region, RMA, was damaged.

- It is reported that 6 people sought medical help.

## LVIV-



10:00 PM: Lviv Oblast has officially become a sister state of the state of California, RMA Chairman Maksym Kozytskyi announced.

- The State Assembly supported the January decision of the State Senate and voted for the resolution on establishing sister relations with the Lviv Region. 69 out of 80 members of the chamber cast their votes "for".

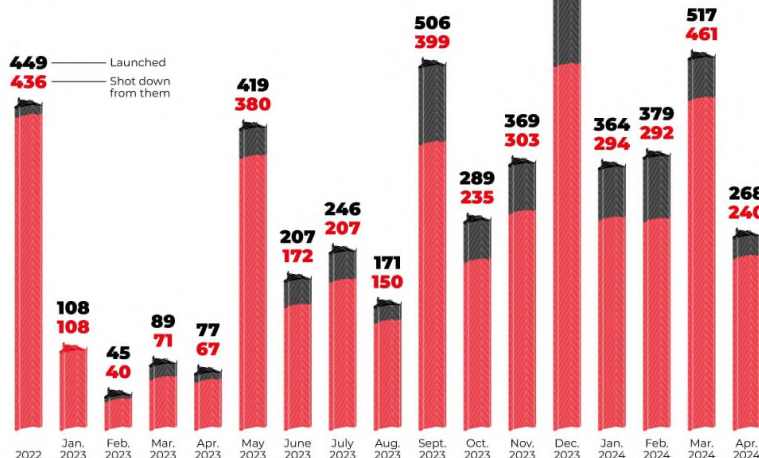
## 5.1 THOU. DRONES HAVE BEEN LAUNCHED BY RUSSIANS AT UKRAINE SINCE 2022

TOP LEAD

Russian attack drones launched and shot down during the full-scale invasion\*, pcs

4,363 out of 5,126 drones were shot down

85% share of drones shot down since 2022



Sources: Air Force of the Armed Forces of Ukraine; General Staff of the Armed Forces of Ukraine. Data as of April 22, 2024.

\*The Air Force did not always report the number of drones launched



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	Apr 21	Apr 22	Apr 23	Apr 24	Apr 25
Duration	9 years and 9 months	After 787 days	After 789 days	After 790 days	After 791 days	After 792 days
Military Personnel Liquidated	14,453	460,260	461,060	461,940	462,980	463,930

Material Losses

Tanks	147	7,236	7,241	7,242	7,255	7,262
Armored Personnel Carriers	1,314	13,904	13,916	13,928	13,942	13,957
Artillery, Mortars, and Ballistic Rocket launchers	433	12,782	12,811	12,856	12,885	12,916
Cruise Missiles		2,117	2,117	2,117	2,118	2,119
Fighters Bombers	118	348	348	348	348	348
Helicopters	333	325	325	325	325	325

Drones		9,384	9,407	9,439	9,449	9,449
Anti Aircraft Missile` Batteries		768	769	771	772	772
Cargo/Fuel/ other transport	11,36 9	15,812	15,845	15,892	15,949	15,984
Naval Vessels		26 + 1 Submar ine	26 + 1 Submar ine	26 + 1 Submar ine	26 + 1 Submar ine	26 + 1 Submar ine
Specialized equipment		1,934	1,936	1,944	1,946	1,962

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