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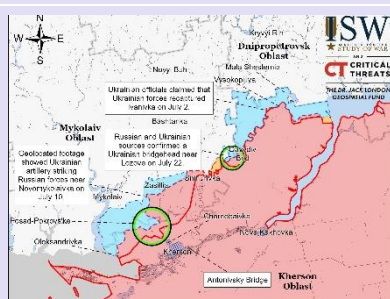
International support

18.07	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The EU Council has agreed to allocate another EUR 500 million in military assistance to Ukraine. <i>"Europe continues to work for peace and protect our values. EU support with military equipment for the Armed Forces now totals 2.5 billion euros,"</i> said on Twitter Head of the European Council Charles Michel. ➤ Following the example of Lithuania, Poland and Norway, Canada announced a collection for the Turkish strike drone Bayraktar for Ukraine. In total, it is planned to raise 7 million Canadian dollars (approximately 160 million hryvnias). Volunteers want to hand over the purchased drone by Ukraine's Independence Day — August 24. 
19.07	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ukraine and the EU signed a memorandum on the first tranche of macro-financial assistance of €1 billion, says Vice President of the European Commission Valdis Dombrovskis. This amount will be paid at the end of July to support the government and the people of Ukraine. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ At a meeting with Lviv Mayor Andriy Sadovyi, Deputy Foreign Ministry of Hungary Levente Magyar said that Hungarians were ready to let through their territory all the assistance provided by other countries to Ukraine, including the military one. Earlier it was reported that Hungary objected to the supply of Western weapons to Ukraine in order not to endanger Hungarians living in Transcarpathia. 
20.07	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Syria decided to sever diplomatic relations with Ukraine in response to a similar decision by Kyiv. Ukraine severed diplomatic relations with Syria after Damascus had recognized the independence and sovereignty of the so-called "DPR" and "LPR". ➤ In New York, actions in support of Ukraine continue. "Russia is a terrorist state," people wrote on leaflets. ➤ Ukraine will receive a record tranche of non-refundable assistance worth \$4.5 billion. The Cabinet of Ministers approved the attraction of a grant of \$ 4.5 billion from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Development Association. Irrevocable support is aimed at financing the project <i>"Supporting public spending to ensure sustainable public administration in Ukraine"</i>. ➤ The United States, through the USAID Agency for International Development, will provide an additional \$169 million in assistance to support people affected by Russia's war against Ukraine. 
21.07	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The European Union has allocated another €500 million to support the Armed Forces of Ukraine. This was stated by Josep Borrell. ➤ Finnish manufacturer of equipment for energy and shipbuilding Wartsila has completed working in the Russian market. Because of the war in Ukraine, the machine-building giant ABB is leaving the Russian market. ➤ The United Kingdom has banned gold imports from the Russian Federation. From August 10, it will ban the import of Russian coal, and from December 31 it will refuse Russian oil. ➤ The EU Council has approved the seventh package of anti-Russian sanctions, which includes an embargo on gold, freezing of Sberbank's assets, and introduction of new export restrictions. The sanctions lists include about 50 individuals and legal entities, including Moscow Mayor Sergei Sobyenin, and well-known actors Vladimir Mashkov and Sergei Bezrukov.
22.07	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The United States has allocated a new \$270 million military assistance package to Ukraine. The new package includes 4 HIMARS systems, 36 thousand artillery shells, armor-piercing systems and 580 drones ➤ The United Kingdom will deliver dozens of artillery guns, hundreds of unmanned aerial vehicles, and 1600 anti-tank weapons to Ukraine in the coming weeks, said Defense Minister Ben Wallace. 
24.07	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ In Poland, people collected the entire amount for the purchase of the Bayraktar drone for Ukraine. More than 200,000 people contributed.

Military positions

As of
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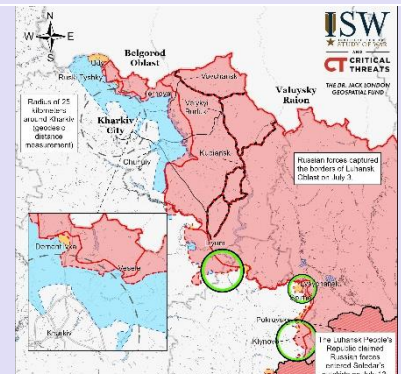
- Towards **Volyn, Polissia and Siversk**, the situation has not undergone significant changes.
- In Ukrainian Sloboda region, the main efforts of Russians focus on preventing the advance of Ukrainian troops towards the state border of Ukraine in the north and north-east of **Kharkiv region**.
- Towards **Kharkiv**, the Russian army did not conduct active actions. The invaders **shelled** Kharkiv, Zolochiv, Pytomnyk, Borshchova, Lisne, Russki and Cherkaski Tyshky and Mospanove **from tanks, barreled and reactive artillery**.
- Also, there are no active actions by the enemy in the direction **Sloviansk**. The Russian army shelled the areas of Hrushuva, Dolyna, Krasnopillia, Dubrovne, Mazanivka, Protopopivka, Chepil, Velyka Komyshevakh, Nortsivka, Bogorodichne, Virnopillia and Karnaukhivka.
- Towards **Kramatorsk**, the Russians fired from tanks, barreled and rocket artillery on Verkhnekamianske, Starodubivka, Pyskunivka, Siversk, Bilohorivka, Hryhorivka, Spirne and Vyimka. Assault operations itowards Verkhnekamianske and Siversk were successfully repulsed by Ukrainian defenders .
- Towards **Bakhmut**, the Russians shelled the areas of Yakovlivka, Soledar, Bakhmut, Pokrovske, Bakhmut and Novoluhanske with artillery. The latter was also hit by airstrikes.
- The Russians again conducted assault operations towards Pokrovske and the territory of the Vuhlehirsk TPP, but suffered losses and withdrew.
- Towards **Avdiivka**, Novopavlivka and Zaporizhzhia, shelling was recorded in the areas of Novobakhmutivka, Pisky, Vuhledar, Opytne, Vodiane, Prechystivka, Mala Tokmachka, Novoyakovlivka, Uspenivka, Orikhiv, Pavlivka, Novopil, Shcherbaky, Novoandriivka and Mali Shcherbaky. There were also airstrikes near Krasnohorivka and Kamianka.
- Towards **South Buh**, the Russians continue defending previously occupied positions, focusing their efforts on deterring the counter-offensive actions of the Defense Forces of Ukraine. They carry out shelling from barreled and rocket artillery and tanks along the contact line.
- The Armed Forces of Ukraine also **repulsed** an attempt to storm the Vuhlehirsk TPP.
- Ukrainian assault and army aviation and missile-artillery units successfully continue to strike at enemy strongholds, warehouses and clusters of invaders' forces in certain areas.
- On July 18, as a result of the hits, **Russian warehouses** in Nova Kakhovka and Beryslav were **burned**.
- On July 20, the Armed Forces of Ukraine struck the **Antonovsky Bridge**, which made it difficult for the Russians to transport heavy equipment to Kherson. On July 20 and 22, the Armed Forces of Ukraine hit Russian **warehouses in Chornobaiivka** (Kherson region).
- On July 21, the Armed Forces of Ukraine **destroyed 6 more warehouses** of the occupiers in the south of Ukraine, as well as a **command post**. As reported in the "South" Operational Command , over the past day it was possible to launch 10 air strikes on the enemy. Enemy strongholds were hit 5 times, accumulation of manpower and equipment in the Kherson region - 3 times, ammunition depots - 2 times in the Mykolaiv and Kherson regions. Destruction of the command and command and observation post, 6 more ammunition depots in Kherson, Beryslav and Kakhovka districts was confirmed.



Lysychansk (Luhansk region).

- On the evening of July 23, explosions thundered in the occupied **Horlivka** (Donetsk region).
- Over the course of a week, the Ukrainian military damaged all three bridges controlled by Russia leading to **Kherson**. Ukrainian partisans also blew up a railroad controlled by the occupiers near Novobohdanivka, Zaporizhzhia region.

- On July 23, the Armed Forces of Ukraine hit the **Dariivsky bridge** over the Inhulets (Kherson region). This is a continuation of the operation to cut off the Kherson grouping of Russians from supplies.
- On the afternoon of July 23, an explosion occurred in the temporarily occupied



The week of shelling

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- There was a series of shelling in **Sumy** region - over 50 during the day. The water tower was damaged.
- The enemy shelled the city of **Nikopol** in **Dnipropetrovsk** region. There is a victim who was hospitalized with a wound.
- The Russians fired 4 missiles at **Odesa** region.

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- The Russian military struck from Grad multiple launch rocket systems on houses and a river port in **Nikopol**, and fires broke out at two enterprises.



- 29 residents of **Mykolaiv** region were injured as a result of Russian shelling during the day.

- The Russian army hit **Odesa** region with missiles. Only one of the seven missiles was shot down, 6 people were injured. The House of Culture and a school were hit.
- The Russians again shelled Tsirkuny of **Kharkiv** region and the **Kramatorsk** industrial zone. Toretsk was hit with missiles and Verkhnekamianske was stormed.



20.07

- The Russians again hit **Odesa** region. No casualties were reported.
- In the morning, the Russian occupiers struck **Kharkiv**, killing four people, including a child. A 13-year-old boy was killed, his sister is in very serious condition. (a father near the body of his murdered teenage son)
- Since the evening, the Russian military shelled the settlements of **Chernihiv** and **Sumy** regions, Huliaipole in **Zaporizhzhia** region, the village of Lymany in **Mykolaiv** region, Zolochiv and Chuhuiv in **Kharkiv** region.



21.07

- In **Dnipropetrovsk** region, an enemy tank shot Ukrainian combines in the field.
- In the city of **Mykolaiv**, during the air alarm sirens, powerful explosions sounded again. The city was shelled on a large scale.
- In **Sumy** region, Russians fired on the communities of the region over 80 times during the day.
- In **Donetsk** region, Russians destroyed two schools, shelled the central part of **Bakhmut** and industrial enterprises in Kramatorsk. In addition, the industrial part of **Kramatorsk** was shelled.
- The Russian occupiers fired two missiles at one of the humanitarian aid depots in **Mykolaiv**. A warehouse with thousands of tons of food was burned.



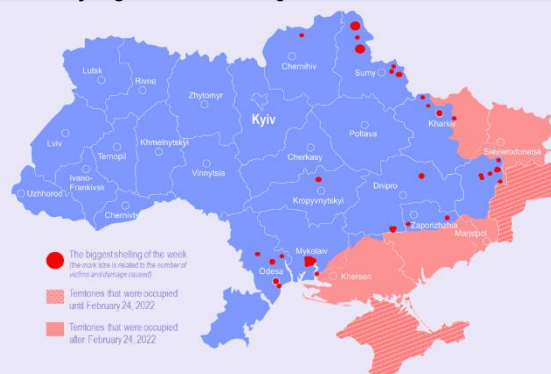
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- Mortar and self-propelled gun fire was recorded in **Sumy** region.
- The Russians shelled the city of Nikopol in **Dnipropetrovsk** region at night.
- At night, the invaders opened fire in three districts of Dnipropetrovsk region, 8 people were injured.
- As a result of Russian shelling in **Bakhmut**, the building of the industrial college caught fire.
- In the evening, the Russian occupiers fired about 20 missiles, most of which hit the Dnipro River near the villages of Maloyekaterynivka and Kanivske, **Zaporizhzhia** region.



23.07





- The Russians shelled **Sumy** region six times during the day. The Shalyhynska and Krasnopilska communities came under fire, no casualties and destruction reported.
- The Russians once again hit **Bakhmut**, destroying a local school.
- In the morning, the Russian invaders launched 6 missile strikes on **Mykolaiv** from the S-300 anti-aircraft missile systems, resulting in a fire in the warehouse.
- In the morning, the Russians fired 13 missiles in **Kirovohrad** region, hitting the Kanatovo military airfield and one of the Ukrzaliznytsia facilities. At least 3 people were killed and more than 10 were injured.
- Russian troops hit the **Odesa** seaport with missiles. 2 missiles were shot down by the air defense forces, another 2 hit the port infrastructure facilities. The grain storage was not hit.
- The occupiers shelled a residential area of **Mykolaiv**. There are people under the rubble. A 16-year-old child is injured and has a shrapnel wound.
- In **Sumy** region, Russians targeted six communities with artillery fire, killing a person.



- The map on the left represents the Ukrainian territories shelled the most during the week

Humanitarian crisis



18.07	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As of July 18, the Armed Forces of Ukraine have liberated 1,028 settlements, another 2,621 remain occupied. Since the beginning of the full-scale war, Russia has fired more than 3,000 cruise missiles at Ukraine. 	
19.07	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mayor of the occupied Mariupol Vadim Boichenko claims that the city will not have heating this winter season, because the Russians destroyed all the infrastructure and do not conduct any preparations. Advisor to the mayor of Mariupol Petro Andriushchenko said that the Russian occupiers deprived the citizens of Ukraine of the right of real estate ownership in the city. 	
20.07	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In the occupied territories, Russians continue to steal Ukrainian grain and take it to the countries of the Middle East. This was reported by the press of Intelligence service of Ukraine. However, the Lebanese authorities banned their unloading and the Russians redirected the vessels to Syria, to the ports of Latakia and Tartus. In the future, Ukrainian grain is planned to be delivered by truck from the Syrian territory to other countries of the Middle East and North Africa. In the occupied Luhansk region, there are very few men of military age, so even students and the elderly are sent to the front. Because of forced mobilization, "Luhansk People's Republic" turns into a "women's people's republic", said Serhii Haidai. Special operations forces of Ukraine received data on the military of the 83rd separate airborne assault brigade stationed in Ussuriysk of Primorsky Krai of the Russian Federation, who were involved in Bucha atrocities. 	
21.07	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Russian occupiers take away personal documents from forcibly mobilized people in the occupied territories of Donetsk and Luhansk regions. The National Bank of Ukraine adjusted the official exchange rate of the hryvnia to the US dollar by 25% to 36.5686 UAH/USD. 	
22.07	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In Istanbul, an agreement was signed on unblocking Ukrainian ports for grain export. The agreement provides that the Ukrainian party fully controls ports Odesa, Chornomorsk, and Yuzhny. The Russians destroyed two large mosaics in the restaurant Ukraina in Mariupol. The author is dissident artist Alla Horska. As of July 22, 2022, the Ministry of Culture and Information Policy of Ukraine has already recorded 434 cases of Russia's war crimes against Ukrainian cultural heritage. As a result of shelling, 129 objects of cultural heritage were destroyed. Among them are 22 monuments of national importance, and 100 – of local importance. 105 objects of valuable historical buildings were damaged. In the temporarily occupied territories, Russians are trying to attract Ukrainian youth to newly created pro-Russian organizations. 	 
23.07	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine says that the morning missile strike of the Russians on the port in Odesa calls into question the agreement on the export of Ukrainian grain, which was signed the day before. Russian troops launched missile strikes on the port of Odesa after Istanbul agreed on the safe export of Ukrainian grain. The missile hit exactly where the grain was stored. Thus, it violated the agreements with the UN and Turkey signed a day earlier. Occupied Lysychansk is completely deprived of centralized communications and even under such conditions 10-12 thousand people remain there. The invaders divided the city into filtration sectors and created obstacles for the local population as movement between them is impossible. Russians and their militants from the terrorist "L/DPR" illegally dwell in the apartments abandoned by the residents. Cases of trade in looted items from the homes of residents of Lysychansk and Sievierodonetsk are recorded. Within five months of the full-scale war, Russia has killed at least 358 Ukrainian children and wounded another 684. Since February 24, the UN has received over 150 appeals regarding cases of sexual violence committed by Russian troops in Ukraine, and this is only the "tip of the iceberg". 	
24.07	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Sea Ports Authority has begun preparing the ports of Odesa, Chornomorsk, and Pivdennyi to resume work after the signing of the Istanbul initiative for the export of grain and related food products by sea. After Russia's full-scale invasion of Ukraine, almost 500 thousand Ukrainian children were integrated into the national school systems of the EU countries. 	