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International support

<p>08.08</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The Turkish company Baykar, a manufacturer of strike drones Bayraktar, has registered in Ukraine and purchased a land plot for construction. It is planned that in Ukraine Baykar will produce not only strike drones Bayraktar TB2 and Bayraktar Akıncı, but also jet supersonic Bayraktar Kizilelma. ➤ The United States has allocated \$1 billion in military assistance to Ukraine. The new package includes, among other things, additional ammunition for the HIMARS MLRS and NASAMS air defense systems, 1000 Javelins and hundreds of AT4 anti-tank systems. In total, under the administration of Joe Biden, the United States has allocated about \$ 9.8 billion in military assistance to Ukraine. ➤ Germany will not launch Nord Stream 2, even if the gas situation deteriorates. This was announced by Federal Chancellor Olaf Scholz. Germany considers the sanctions imposed against Russia to be correct and is not going to abandon them. 	
<p>09.08</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Finland called not to give tourist visas to Russians to the EU. <i>"It is wrong that at a time when Russia is waging an aggressive and brutal war in Europe, Russians can live a normal life, travel around Europe, be tourists. This is wrong,"</i> said the country's prime minister, Sanna Marin. Estonian Prime Minister Kaya Kallas also called for a halt to tourism with Russia: <i>"Stop issuing tourist visas to Russians. Visiting Europe is a privilege, not a human right."</i> The complete ban on issuing Schengen visas to Russians has already been supported by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic. ➤ The Armed Forces of Ukraine received 50 new Turkish Kirpi armored personnel carriers. Another 150 units are expected to be delivered in the future. <i>Kirpi</i> armored personnel carriers are equipped with the highest level of protection in the category of anti-mine-resistant vehicles. ➤ The first batch of humanitarian coal from Australia arrived in Ukraine. The first 39 cars of coal are already at the Ukrainian TPP. The Ministry of Energy of Ukraine says that in total, Australia will transfer 79 thousand tons of coal. ➤ The United States will provide Ukraine with \$89 million for demining. The funds will be used for equipment and training of sappers. Thanks to this assistance, Ukraine will be able to equip and train 100 demining groups during the year. This project is the largest U.S. demining program in Ukraine. Demining of Ukrainian territories will take about 10 years. 	
<p>10.08</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ukraine will receive \$4.5 billion from the World Bank. The signing of the grant agreement is reported by the Ministry of Finance of Ukraine. These funds will be spent on pensions and separate social assistance programs. ➤ Germany has transferred four more Gepard anti-aircraft guns to Ukraine. The Germans also handed over 13 armoured vehicles – three evacuation vehicles and ten HMMWVs ("Humvee"). This is stated on the website of the German government. ➤ Lithuanian President Gitanas Nauseda states that the outcome of the war started by Russia against Ukraine will be decided on the battlefield, not at the negotiating table. 	
<p>11.08</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Switzerland will send Ukraine 100 tons of aid, including medical and firefighting equipment. The Swiss President said on Twitter that since March, 5,300 tons of humanitarian aid have been delivered from Sweden to Ukraine. ➤ Britain will provide Ukraine with even more MLRSs. British Defense Minister Ben Wallace confirmed that London will transfer to Ukraine three more multiple launch rocket systems in addition to the three provided, as well as a "significant" number of missiles to them. ➤ The Latvian Sejm recognized Russia as a sponsor of terrorism. Parliament recognized Russia's violence against civilians in Ukraine and other countries as terrorism, and Russia itself as a country sponsoring terrorism. Also this week, the U.S. Senate passed a resolution calling on the State Department to declare Russia a sponsor of terrorism. Also, deputies of the Latvian Sejm called on EU countries to immediately suspend issuance of visas to citizens of the Russian Federation and Belarus. Meanwhile, Estonia decided from August 18 to stop letting almost all Russians into the country with Schengen visas issued. ➤ Another €1.5 billion in military assistance will come to Ukraine from northern European allies. This decision was made by the countries participating in the Allied Conference in Copenhagen. It was agreed to continue funding military assistance to Ukraine, in particular for training the Ukrainian military and increasing production of artillery and ammunition. ➤ The Danish government is preparing €110 million in military assistance to Ukraine. The money will go to weapons, equipment and training of the military. <i>"The current war concerns not only territories and borders, it is a war of beliefs: between democracy and tyranny, for the values on which Europe is based, the free world,"</i> said the country's prime minister Mette Frederiksen. 	
<p>12.08</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A new batch of M270 MLRSs arrived in Ukraine from the United Kingdom. Ukrainian Defense Minister Oleksii Reznikov announced about that but did not specify their number. ➤ Soldiers from the Netherlands and Norway have been sent to Britain to train the Ukrainian military. <i>"The more well-trained fighters, the closer our victory is,"</i> said Minister of Defense of Ukraine Oleksii Reznikov. As of now, Denmark, Canada, Sweden, the United Kingdom, and New Zealand have confirmed their participation in the British initiative to train the Ukrainian military. 	
<p>13.08</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Slovakia has handed over the first four Zuzana self-propelled artillery installations to Ukraine. ➤ "Save Azov" and "Russia is a terrorist": demonstrations in support of Ukraine continue in Paris. The participants demanded to recognize the Russian Federation as a terrorist state and save the Azov defenders. They also called on French companies, which have not yet left the Russian market, to withdraw from it. 	
<p>14.08</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The EU and 42 other countries appealed to Russia with an immediate demand to withdraw its troops from the Zaporizhzhia NPP and the entire territory of Ukraine. 	

Military positions

- The Russian army is concentrating its efforts on establishing full control over the territories of the Luhansk and Donetsk regions and maintaining the temporarily captured areas of the Kherson, Kharkiv, Zaporizhzhia and Mykolaiv regions.
- The Russian occupiers made **a number of attempts at combat reconnaissance in several directions, but failed**. At the same time, fierce fighting continues in the east of Ukraine. Russian troops are resorting to scorched earth tactics and shelling civilian infrastructure with heavy weapons.
- **The Ukrainian armed forces repulsed the Russian attack:** towards Kharkiv, Sloviansk, Kramatorsk, in the directions of Pavlivka and Novosilka (Donetsk region). With offensive actions, the Russians are trying to break through the defenses of the Ukrainian troops towards Oleksandropol, Krasnohorivka, Avdiivka, Mariinka, and Pisky (Donetsk region), fierce fighting is ongoing. The Russians also unsuccessfully tried to advance in the areas of Lozove and Shyrokye in the Kherson region, withdrew with losses.

➤ In a week 08.08 - 14.08:

- Liquidated personnel - 1210
- Tanks - 53
- Armored personnel vehicle - 56
- Artillery system / MLRS - 20/0
- Anti-aircraft warfare systems - 4
- Aircraft / helicopters - 10/2
- UAV Operational-tactical level - 30
- Warships / boats - 0
- Vehicles & fuel tanks - 46
- Special equipment - 5

➤ In the temporarily occupied territories, resistance forces continue to carry out actions to destroy warehouses and command points:

- 08.08 Explosions occurred at once in several occupied settlements of the Kherson region.
- 09.08 A powerful explosion occurred at the military airfield in Novofedorivka (The Autonomous Republic of **Crimea**). At least five Su-24 FENCER fighter-bombers and three Su-30 FLANKER H multirole aircraft were almost certainly destroyed or severely damaged. British intelligence states that "the large mushroom-shaped plumes of smoke seen on



eyewitness video were almost certainly caused by the detonation of four open warehouses of ammunition." The losses of the Russian armed forces after the explosions in Crimea may be the largest loss of Moscow's military aircraft in one day since the Second World War.

- The Air Force carried out **7 strikes on the strongholds of the Russian army** in the Kherson and Mykolaiv regions - an ammunition depot in Novooleksiivka and a command and observation post near the village of Maksym Gorkyi were destroyed.

- 10.08 Explosions occurred in Vesele (Kherson region), Melitopol, Berdiansk.
- 11.08 The Armed Forces of Ukraine **destroyed three command posts and warehouse of ammunition** of the Russian army in the Kherson region. Another stronghold was hit by assault aircraft. The confirmed losses of the Russian troops are 41 soldiers, three howitzers, and seven pieces of equipment.
- 12.08 Explosions occurred in Makiivka (Donetsk region). In Starobilsk, Luhansk region, a collaborator was injured in a car bombing. Several explosions occurred in the occupied territory of the Kherson region: in Novotroitske, Nyzhni Serohozy, Velyka Blagovishchenka, Chaplynka.

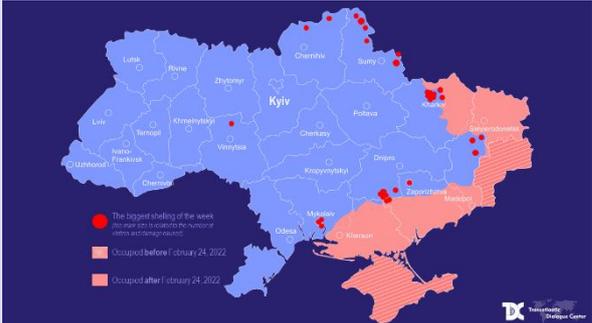


- 13.08 Missile and artillery units of the Armed Forces of Ukraine struck another blow on the road bridge over the dam in **Nova Kakhovka**. Now it cannot be used as intended. After the Ukrainian forces hit the Antonivskyi and Kakhovskiyi bridges, the Russian military lost the opportunity to transport its heavy equipment to the right bank of the Dnipro River to Kherson.

- **The Armed Forces of Ukraine keep under fire control all the logistical routes of the Russian troops in the Kherson region.**
- The armed forces of Ukraine destroyed two warehouses of the Russian military in Muzykivka and Nova Kakhovka. Russian losses are 15 soldiers, one T-72 tank and four armored vehicles and vehicles.

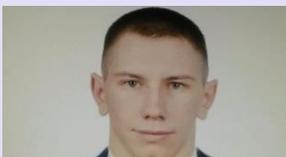
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The week of shelling

<p>08.08</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The Russian occupiers are trying to restore their lost positions and mercilessly shell the already de-occupied villages. In the morning they struck the outskirts of Mykolaiv. ➤ The occupiers shelled Kharkiv in the morning, killing two people. ➤ The border of Sumy and Chernihiv regions continues to be shelled from the territory of Russia: 6 territorial communities suffered on Sunday. ➤ The Russian occupiers used hypersonic air-launched Kh-47M Kinzhal missile to strike at military facilities in Vinnitsia region. ➤ The Russian military fired more than 130 shells on the territory of Sumy region. As a result of artillery shelling in the village of Katerynivka, a woman was killed. ➤ As a result of Russian shelling of Kharkiv, CHPP-3 was damaged, which provides heat to about a third of the city.
<p>09.08</p>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The Russians shelled Nikopol (Dnipropetrovsk region) from a multiple rocket launcher system. ➤ At night, Russia fired 120 shells at Nikopol, an employee of one of the enterprises was hospitalized. ➤ On the night of August 9, the Russian occupiers shelled Kharkiv again, damaging the electric pole and tram rails.
<p>10.08</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Russian troops fired on the Myrove community of Dnipropetrovsk region from multiple rocket launchers, a man and a woman were injured. ➤ On the night of August 10, Russian invaders shelled Dnipropetrovsk region. The Russian occupiers fired 80 missiles at the Nikopol district, killing 13 people and injuring 11. ➤ Russians shelled Stryi Saltiv of Kharkiv region. Two civilians were killed. ➤ The Russians shelled the city of Bakhmut with MLRS, resulting in 6 dead and 3 wounded. According to preliminary data, 12 houses were damaged. ➤ At night, the occupiers fired Mykolaiv from Smerch MLRS, damaging 8 private houses and injuring 3 people, including a 13-year-old girl. 
<p>11.08</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Russians fired about 200 mines and shells at Sumy region communities during the day. ➤ For the fourth time, the occupiers shelled the ZNPP in Enerhodar, hitting a pumping station near the first power unit. A fire broke out at the site near radiation sources, and several radiation sensors were damaged. ➤ At dawn on August 11, the Russians once again shelled the city of Kharkiv.  
<p>12.08</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The Russians launched a massive missile strike on Zaporizhzhia, destroyed infrastructure. One dead and two wounded civilians are reported. ➤ Shelling of Sumy region: the enemy destroyed a field of wheat and damaged houses. ➤ In just a day, Russian invaders killed 7 civilians in Donetsk region, and 14 more were injured. ➤ The enemy struck Kharkiv with missiles from Belgorod. There is destruction. Three districts were shelled, including residential buildings. ➤ The occupiers shelled the Kharkiv region from Urahans (Hurricanes): there are dead and wounded. 
<p>13.08</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ At night, the Russians fired 30 shells at residential areas of Nikopol. No casualties are reported. ➤ The Russian occupiers killed 5 residents of Donetsk region and wounded 35. ➤ Russians shelled Kharkiv and the region. There are three wounded, including a child who is in serious condition. Communications, critical infrastructure, and educational institutions were damaged. ➤ Russian occupation troops launched a missile strike on Mykolayiv on Saturday night. One wounded man is reported.
<p>14.08</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Shelling of Kharkiv region: a rocket fell near an apartment building, 15 cars were damaged. ➤ The Russian occupiers shelled the city of Enerhodar, Zaporizhzhia region, near ZNPP. There are civilian casualties. One man and his dog died while walking.    <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The map on the left represents the Ukrainian territories shelled the most during the week

Humanitarian crisis



<p>08.08</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ In the first half of 2022, the BDO International Business Compass (IBC) of Ukraine had dropped by half a point and was 2.17 points out of 5 possible due to the full-scale war. This value is the lowest since 2013. ➤ The mayor of Melitopol, Ivan Fedorov, said that the Russians brought about 700 extras to the city, because they could not gather enough people from among the local residents to prepare a "picture" for Russian mass media. In the Kherson region, the SSU exposed collaborators who disrupted crops, helped the enemy setting up positions and "creating a positive image" of the occupation authorities. ➤ According to Enerhoatom, the Russians are blackmailing the whole world, declaring that they are mining the Zaporizhzhia NPP and ready to blow it up. 	
<p>09.08</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The US State Department has approved the allocation of 89 million dollars to support mine clearance of Ukrainian territories. The US estimated that 160,000 square kilometers of the territory of Ukraine - i.e. about a quarter - "may be contaminated by antipersonnel mines and unexploded ammunition". 	
<p>10.08</p>	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The Security Service of Ukraine has collected a complete evidence base on Russian occupier Anton Struyev, who gave orders to shoot civilians during the occupation of the Kyiv region in March. The SSU has an intercepted telephone conversation in which "Berkut" (Struev's call sign) gives this criminal order to a subordinate: «Slay everyone there, f*ck! All the civilians - f*cking whammy them, b*tch, everyone!». 	
<p>11.08</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ On Thursday, Russian occupation troops shelled the Zaporizhzhia NPP and the territory near the nuclear facility 4 times. President Volodymyr Zelenskyy said that Russia could provoke the biggest accident in history, and it would, in fact, indicate the use of nuclear weapons without an actual nuclear strike. UN Secretary General António Guterres says that he is deeply concerned about the situation developing at and around the ZNPP. At the same time, Russia rejects the UN's calls to create a demilitarized zone around the nuclear power plant. ➤ Residents of the so-called "LPR" and "DPR" complain to the Russian prosecutor's office that after the beginning of the full-scale Russian invasion of Ukraine on February 24, Russian soldiers ruthlessly mug and destroy their homes. One complainer writes in the letter: "They [the Russians] are hiding behind our backs. Have they come to protect us or to rob and kill? My parents have been living in the "DNR" for 8 years and they have not seen such an atrocity... Are they Z-defenders?" ➤ According to intelligence information, Russian special services created a fake website of the so-called "Zelensky Foundation" and prepared a wide media campaign to discredit the president of Ukraine. 	
<p>12.08</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ On Friday, the BRAVE COMMANDER ship under the flag of Liberia arrived at the port "Pivdenny" for loading. Later it will leave for Ethiopia with 23 thousand tons of grain. ➤ Since the beginning of Russia's full-scale invasion in Ukraine, 3,182 children have been left without parental care. As of August 12, according to the Office of the General Prosecutor, more than 1,067 children became victims of the Russian Federation atrocities. 361 children have been killed, and over 706 injured. ➤ The Russian occupiers stole about 200,000 tons of grains from Rinat Akhmetov's HarvEast company in the temporarily occupied territories of eastern Ukraine. Before the full-scale war, the HarvEast company was one of the ten largest landowners in Ukraine. ➤ The Russian media reports that on August 15, the Donetsk militants will begin to hear a "criminal case" of five captured foreigners. The accused are Swedish citizen Matias Gustavsson, Croatian Vekoslav Prebeg, as well as Britons John Harding, Andrew Hill and Dylan Healy. ➤ The Ukrainian authorities are exhorting world leaders and international organizations to prevent the illegal trial of Ukrainian defenders in Mariupol. According to Adviser of the mayor of Mariupol Andriushchenko, the occupiers are preparing the trial of the defenders of the city on August 24, the Independence Day of Ukraine, and are hastily turning the chamber philharmonic hall into a prison. "In addition to the cages, a special bunker/garage is being set up to receive the trucks that will transport our captured Heroes. This building did not exist before the war, it is being built exclusively for one purpose to arrange the "tribunal". 	
<p>13.08</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The Russians placed a military base on the territory of the hospital in the center of the temporarily occupied Melitopol. ➤ The vessel, which entered Ukrainian ports first since February 24 to load agricultural products, left the Chornomorsk port in the morning. 	