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International support

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- The **U.S. Senate** is discussing the possibility of passing an **annual aid package** for Ukraine worth \$50-100 billion - The Wall Street Journal.
- The President of Ukraine Volodymyr Zelenskyi arrived in the Romanian capital Bucharest on an official visit. During his visit, he held a press conference with Romanian President Klaus Iohannis and they signed a **declaration on security**, including in the Black Sea. They also announced the opening of a new "**grain corridor**" between Moldova and Romania. The parties agreed to double transit through Romanian ports; to simplify border crossing procedures; and to discuss training Ukrainian pilots on F-16s.
- Turkey, Romania and Bulgaria are planning to **join forces to clear** any **mines** that drift into the Black Sea waters from Russia's war against Ukraine. The demining operation is unrelated to NATO activities, and this joint demining force will be the first major joint effort by the Allies in the Black Sea since Russia's full-scale invasion.

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- The President of Ukraine Volodymyr Zelenskyi has arrived in Brussels. Today, the Ukraine Defense Contact Group is meeting in the **Ramstein format**, along with the Defense Ministers' meeting and the NATO-Ukraine Council.
- The UK will announce **\$122 million in military aid** to Ukraine at a meeting of the NATO-Ukraine Council. The aid package will include MSI-DS Terrahawk Paladin anti-aircraft systems, along with other items.
- At a meeting of the Ramstein contact group, "**coalitions of opportunity**" were formed to provide **long-term defense** of Ukraine and deter Russian aggression for decades. Estonia and Luxembourg will lead a coalition to support **IT infrastructure**. Lithuania will help with **demining**, and the United States will lead the coalition to develop the Ukrainian **Air Force**. Denmark and the Netherlands will co-lead this coalition. Bulgaria promised to provide Ukraine with **components for the S-300** air defense system. The United States promises to join other coalitions as they are formed in the coming weeks. Armored and artillery coalitions are planned.
- The Ministry of National Defense of **Lithuania** announces that it will transfer **two NASAMS** air defense systems to Ukraine, purchase 155 mm **artillery ammunition**, power generators, army cots, clothing, and continue the **rehabilitation** of Ukrainian soldiers.
- **Germany** will provide Ukraine with additional **Patriot and IRIS-T launchers**, as well as three Gepard self-propelled anti-aircraft guns. In addition, 10 more Leopard 1 A5 battle tanks, 15 armored vehicles, and 20 ambulances will arrive in Ukraine in the following weeks.
- **Denmark** plans to deliver the **first F-16 fighter jets** to Ukraine in March-April 2024, but it depends on the speed of pilot and technician training. In total, Denmark has promised Ukraine 19 aircrafts.
- **Norway** is providing Ukraine with about €17 million for **demining**. The money will be provided through specialized organizations and the UN system.
- **Finland** provides Ukraine with its 19th **military aid package** but does not disclose its contents. Only the value is known — €95 million.
- **Belgium** will provide Ukraine with several **F-16 fighter jets** starting in 2025. Their number will depend on the "increased capacity" of the Belgian F-35, Defense Minister Ludivine Dedonder states.

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- In 2024, Belgium will also provide **€1.7 billion in aid** to Ukraine, from taxes on income from frozen Russian assets. The country is creating a special fund from which money will be spent on military equipment, humanitarian aid, etc.
- The Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine reported that Ukraine and **Croatia** signed a bilateral agreement on joint **demining operations**.
- The Pentagon announces a new \$200 million **military aid package** for Ukraine. The package includes AIM-9 Sidewinder aircraft missiles for fighter jets; counter-drone equipment (c-UAS); ammunition for HIMARS multiple launch rocket systems; 155-mm and 105-mm ammunition; TOW anti-tank missiles; AT-4 anti-tank missile systems; small arms and more than 16 million rounds of ammunition; spare parts, explosive charges, training ammunition, technical and other field equipment.

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- The International Olympic Committee has **suspended the Russian Olympic Committee** due to the inclusion of so-called "sports organizations" located in the occupied Donetsk, Luhansk, Kherson and Zaporizhzhia oblasts.
- The Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe has **recognized the Holodomor** man-made famine of 1932-1933 **as genocide** of the Ukrainian people. PACE has also recognized fake elections and referendums in the temporarily occupied territories as illegal and condemned Russia's decision to withdraw from the Black Sea Grain Initiative
- **Spain** has confirmed the transfer of MIM-23 **Hawk air defense** systems and announced the delivery of 155-mm and 105-mm **ammunition** to Ukraine.
- In the upcoming months, **Denmark** and the **Czech Republic** will provide Ukraine with **50 infantry fighting vehicles and tanks**, small arms and anti-tank weapons, machine guns, grenades, and much more. The Czech Ministry of Defense does not specify what kind of equipment will be transferred. They only mention that some of it is new and some is refurbished.

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- Ukraine's Defense Minister Rustem Umerov met with his **Bulgarian counterpart** Todor Tagarev and signed a memorandum on **bilateral cooperation** in the security sector: cyber defense, strategic communications, and military and technical support.
- **Germany** has provided Ukraine with another **military aid package**. The package includes four Bandvagn 206 all-terrain vehicles, four border guard vehicles, two HX81 truck tractor trains and two semi-trailers, 82 satellite communication (SATCOM) terminals, 50 drone detection systems, 100,000 first aid kits, and 27,477 backpacks.
- The **G7 countries** have committed to holding about \$280 billion in sovereign **Russian assets** until Russia compensates Ukraine for the damage caused by the invasion. Currently, there is no legal mechanism for using sovereign assets to rebuild Ukraine, so the United States and its European partners are still working on this matter.
- The Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (**PACE**) has recognized **Russia as a dictatorship**. After his current presidential term ends, the Council's states are being called upon not to recognize Putin's legitimacy.
- **The Netherlands** has decided to further strengthen Ukraine's **air defense** and is supplying additional Patriot missiles.



Military positions

- The Russian Federation continues to ignore the laws and customs of warfare, uses the Kremlin's terror tactics, launches missile and air strikes, and fires from rocket launchers.
- The Defense Forces of Ukraine continue to conduct defense in the east and south of Ukraine, offensive operations in the Melitopol direction, and offensive actions in the Bakhmut direction. Step by step they are liberating the temporarily occupied territories. They are gaining a foothold on the reached frontiers.
- In the Chernihiv and Kharkiv directions, the enemy maintains a military presence in the border areas, conducts diversionary activities to prevent the transfer of Ukrainian troops to threatening directions, and increases the density of mine and explosive barriers along the state border in the Belgorod oblast.
- In the Kupiansk direction, Ukrainian soldiers repelled enemy attacks near Synkivka, Ivanivka, and Kyslivka in the Kharkiv oblast.
- In the Lyman direction, the Defense Forces continue to hold back the enemy's offensive in the Makiivka area of the Luhansk oblast.
- In the direction of Bakhmut, Ukrainian soldiers continue their assault south of Bakhmut in the Donetsk oblast, inflict losses on the occupiers in terms of manpower and equipment, and entrench themselves at the achieved frontiers. In the Avdiivka direction, the enemy does not stop trying to break through the defenses.
- In the Marinka direction, the Defense Forces successfully repelled enemy attacks in the areas of Marinka, Donetsk oblast. In the Shakhtarsk direction, the enemy conducted unsuccessful assaults with the support of aviation in the Staromaiorsk area of the Donetsk oblast.
- In the Zaporizhzhia direction, the enemy unsuccessfully tried to restore the lost position near Robotyne in the Zaporizhzhia oblast.
- In the Kherson direction, the Defense Forces are conducting a counter-battery fight, destroying supply depots and successfully striking the enemy's rear.

Date	Summary
09.10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ During the day, 34 combat clashes took place at the front. The enemy launched 1 missile and 39 air strikes and fired 23 MLRS projectiles at the positions of the Ukrainian troops and populated areas. ➤ The commander of the Ground Forces of the Ukrainian Armed Forces Oleksandr Syrskyi reported that the fighters of the 66th separate mechanized brigade destroyed 25 Russian tanks in four days. Four more Russian tanks were destroyed during the day by soldiers of the 47th separate mechanized brigade. The fighters worked in the Novoprokopivka area in the Melitopol direction. ➤ Ukrainian soldiers captured the commander of the Russian volunteer battalion "Alga" in the direction of Bakhmut. This was reported by the press service of the 3rd separate assault brigade. ➤ Main Directorate Intelligence tried to liberate the Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Plant three times, but had no success, Kyrylo Budanov said in an interview. The first attempt was in August 2022. Then the special forces crossed the Kakhovka reservoir, landed on the left bank, and were supposed to create a bridgehead for the further liberation of Enerhodar and the station. Under pressure from the Russians, they had to retreat. Special forces believe that they lacked artillery support. Then there were two more attempts. Several hundred fighters participated in the last one, including fighters from other countries and the commander of the International Legion, but, according to Budanov, it was not possible to achieve success due to "management and executive shortcomings." Then the Russian troops brought heavy equipment, including tanks, to the shore. ➤ Ukrainian troops continue to advance in the direction of Melitopol and have partial success west of Verbove, the commander of the operational grouping of troops "Tavria" Oleksandr Tarnavskiy said.
10.10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ During the day 75 clashes took place at the front line. ➤ The special services of the Russian Federation and Belarus are preparing a terrorist attack under a foreign flag in order to blame Ukraine, the Center of National Resistance reports. According to the Central Intelligence Agency, the Brestobnefteprodukt oil depot near the settlement of Pryluki in the Brest oblast, which is located 2 km from the Belarusian-Polish border, is currently being considered as a target for a terrorist attack. It is planned to drop explosives from a drone there. ➤ The British intelligence notices, before the presidential elections on the territory of Russia, another mobilization is unlikely. Presidential elections in Russia will be held on March 17, 2024. "In the build-up to the election, the Kremlin will almost certainly seek to minimize unpopular policy moves. It is therefore highly unlikely that any further mobilization wave will be implemented before the March 2024 presidential election," the intelligence agency notes.
11.10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 72 combat clashes took place on the front line during the day. The enemy launched 1 missile and 36 air strikes, carried out more than 35 attacks from multiple rocket launchers on the positions of our troops and populated areas. ➤ The General Staff writes that the Russians intensified their offensive in the Avdiivka and Pervomaisk areas of Donetsk oblast. Ukrainian fighters repelled all attacks. The General Staff reported that the occupiers threw up to 3 battalions into battle with the support of tanks and armored vehicles. All Russian attacks were repulsed. ➤ The Russian Federation continues to counterattack, but without success. Volodymyr Zelenskyi in an interview with France 2 said, we are moving forward step by step. The president noted that the armed forces are not moving forward as fast as would be expected and wished, but there is progress and Russian counterattacks are unsuccessful. He added that globally, time will play into Russia's hand if aid to Ukraine is interrupted.

Losses of the Russian army from 09.10.2023 to 15.10.2023	
Liquidated personnel	5490
Tanks	127
IFVs	239
Artillery systems / MLRS	161/5
Anti-aircraft warfare systems	5
Aircraft / helicopters	1/0
UAVs	79
Ships/boats	0
Vehicles & fuel tanks	138
Special equipment	17



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- During the day, 55 combat clashes took place on the front line. The troops of the Russian Federation continue active offensive actions in the Avdiivka area of the Donetsk oblast, using aviation. This way, they want to get at least some symbolic "victory" and turn the tide of hostilities. Ukrainian defenders courageously hold their defense, they have repulsed 7 enemy attacks in the Avdiivka area and another 7 attacks near Lastochkyne, Tonenke, Pervomaiske, Nevelske, Donetsk oblast.
- The head of the **Avdiivka** Municipal Military Administration stated that on October 10 was "probably **the biggest Russian attack on the town** during the entire full-scale war." The enemy used almost **two thousand soldiers** and a hundred units of equipment. On October 11, the Russian infantry went on the assault, the landing party was landing in groups of 20-30 people. The invaders came from **10-12 directions**. However, the situation is under control, the Ukrainian military held all its positions, Vitalii Barabash added.
- The Ukrainian Special Operations Forces destroyed five tanks, an armored personnel carrier, an armored personnel carrier, a Tiger armored car, and dozens of Russians in the Avdiivka direction within a day. The occupiers have been trying to storm in this direction for the third day. This offensive was already called the largest on the city in the entire full-scale war.
- In Sumy oblast, the **subversive intelligence group** of the Russian Federation with 8 men broke through at night. The saboteurs tried to cross the state border of Ukraine and had the goal of moving further in the direction of one of the objects of civil critical infrastructure. The Russians were hit by artillery and mortar units. Suffering combat losses, the sabotage group withdrew. There are no casualties among Ukrainian servicemen.
- The spokesman of the Navy of the Ukrainian Armed Forces Dmytro Pletenchuk informed, **the ship** of the Black Sea Fleet of the Russian Federation "Pavel Derzhavin" was **damaged** in the Black Sea near occupied Sevastopol the day before, Dmytro Pletenchuk, the spokesman of the Navy of Ukrainian Armed Forces.
- According to economic estimates, the Russian Federation can wage war until 2025. Estimating the amount of equipment they can continue until 2026 as the maximum. They have enough human resources for waging a long war, the head of the Main Directorate Intelligence Kyrylo Budanov said.

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- During the day, 68 combat clashes took place on the front line. The enemy launched 2 rockets, 39 air strikes, and 24 attacks from multiple rocket launchers at the positions of our troops and populated areas.
- British intelligence notes that long-range aircraft of the Russian Air Force **have not struck Ukraine since September 21**, already for 21 days. "This time, it is likely that Russian LRA is **preserving existing stocks** of AS-23 missiles as well as using this pause to increase usable stocks in anticipation of further heavy strikes against Ukraine over the winter," British intelligence reported.
- Ukraine buys **60% of the world's production of Mavic drones**, a part of other UAV purchases. This was announced by the Prime Minister of Ukraine Denys Shmyhal during the Kyiv International Economic Forum. According to him, Ukraine independently produces a line of powerful UAVs, which are making "certain technological breakthroughs" today.
- The resistance movement in occupied Melitopol blew up the railway track, cutting off the Russians from supplies of ammunition and fuel in the Zaporizhzhia direction. Special Operations Forces reported that a train carrying ammunition and fuel for the Russian army was also damaged during the detonation of the canvas. The National Resistance Center clarified that the train was carrying ammunition from Crimea to Melitopol and Dniprorudne every day, and damaged equipment, and looted ore, grain and other property in the reverse direction.
- The Security Service of Ukraine together with the Navy of the Armed Forces of Ukraine attacked the Russian missile carrier "Buyan" in the bay of Sevastopol with drones. Today, "Buyan" and earlier "Pavel Derzhavin" were attacked by Sea Baby surface drones.
- The Russians have been massively attacking Avdiivka for the fourth day. The fighting does not stop. Over the past 24 hours, there have been more than 30 missile attacks on the city. The last few days have been beating on the road to Avdiivka. The Russians are pressing from the north, from the south. In total, the Russians threw about 10,000 soldiers into the assault on the city and its surroundings.
- The Ukrainian military shot down another Russian Su-25 today, the General Staff reported. This is already the 317th downed Russian plane. The previous Su-25 was destroyed by the Defense Forces on October 10.

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- About 100 combat clashes took place during the past day. In total, the enemy launched 3 missiles and 59 air strikes, carried out 54 attacks from multiple rocket launchers on the positions of our troops and populated areas.
- In two months, the Russian military recovered and began an **active offensive in the Makiivka region**, and later in the Kupiansk direction. Heavy fighting continues. The main goal of the Russians is to surround Kupiansk and reach the border of the Oskil River. The occupiers, supported by armored vehicles, attack dozens of times a day and conduct heavy mortar and artillery fire.

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✓ During the past week, Russians launched 24 missiles and 465 air strikes and carried out over 432 attacks from multiple launch rocket systems.

Kherson and Kherson oblast

On October 8, a 50-year-old man died as a result of the Russian shelling of Antonivka. He was taken to the hospital with shrapnel wounds to his torso. On October 9, Russians shelled the Kherson community, three women were reported wounded. On October 10, another shelling of Komyschany injured an 85-year-old woman. Almost 30 houses were damaged in the village. On October 11, the occupiers fired from a drone at a cemetery in Kherson district, hitting a funeral vehicle. Three people were injured. On the same day, another shelling of Kherson damaged several high-rise buildings in the Korabelny district. On the night of October 12, Russians shelled the residential sector of Chornobaivka. A 70-year-old man was killed. Three people were also injured in the attack on Bilozerka. On October 12, the occupants attacked the Beryslav district with artillery, a man was wounded. Private houses and outbuildings were damaged. Chornobaivka was also shelled again: A 71-year-old man died on the way to the hospital, and another local was wounded. Dozens of houses were damaged in the village, and there was a partial power outage. On the same day, Beryslav was attacked again. They hit residential areas of the town. A man was wounded. In addition, they shelled Mykilske. A man was wounded. On October 13, in Beryslav, Russians attacked a car with a drone, in which a couple was traveling. The woman died, and the man is in serious condition. Two more people were wounded. On the night of October 14, the occupiers shelled Inzhenerne with artillery and attacked Kherson with mortars. Also in the morning, they attacked Beryslav again. They hit a private house, and the body of a 60-year-old woman was found under the rubble. On the same day, Russians shelled Beryslav district once again. One of the shells hit near a residential building. A woman was killed. On the night of October 15, the occupiers shelled Kizomys. A 79-year-old man was seriously wounded. Also at night, the Russians fired artillery at Kherson and mortared the village of Naddnipryanske. On October 15, 30 minutes apart, the occupiers struck with SU-34s at two anti-aircraft missile systems near a critical infrastructure facility in Kherson. Due to the shelling, communication was impaired and the Internet was cut off. The Russians also dropped 11 MADS on four settlements in the Beryslav district.

Donetsk oblast

Russians continue to terrorize the oblast, shelling both remote settlements and along the entire frontline. On October 8, four civilians were wounded in a morning rocket attack on Kostyantynivka. A 9-year-old girl was among the wounded. The strike damaged 19 private houses, 10 multi-story buildings, a boiler house, a gas pipeline, a power line, and a car. On October 12, an 11-year-old boy was killed in a Russian attack on the village of Bahatyr on his birthday. His mother and six-year-old brother were hospitalized with multiple injuries. The Russians attacked the village with Smerch multiple rocket launchers. 20 private houses, a church, a school, civilian cars, and the power grid were damaged. On October 13, the Russians attacked the center of Pokrovsk with Iskander missiles. 21 people were injured, 2 administrative buildings and 2 residential high-rise buildings were damaged. Dachenske in the Pokrovsk community also suffered damage to a farm.

Towards Volnovakha, Vuhledar, Maksymivka, Bahatyr, Velyka Novosilka communities and Bohoiavlenska came under fire. Residential and administrative buildings were damaged.

Towards Donetsk, Marinka, Ocheretyne, Kurakhove, Novohrodivka communities, Kostyantynivka, Yelizavetivka, Ocheretyne, Avdiivka, Krasnohorivka, Katerynivka, Pervomaiske, Netailove, Umanske, Kurakhove, Novomykhailivka, Komyshevka, Hirnyk, Halytsynivka, Novoselivka Persha are affected. Private houses, social facilities, an infrastructure facility, an administrative building, a multi-story building, and a cultural institution were damaged.

Towards Horlivka, New York, Chasiv Yar, Soledar, Toretsk communities, Kostyantynivka, Diliivka, Toretsk, Dachne, Rozdolivka came under fire. Residential buildings, multi-story buildings, power lines, an infrastructure facility, an administrative building, a heating main, and an industrial building were damaged.

Towards Lysychansk, Dronivka, Siversk, Lyman communities, Torske, Zarichne, Siversk, Lyman, and Yampil are affected. Private houses, a boiler house, and a non-residential building were damaged. There are wounded or dead in all directions.

Kharkiv and Kharkiv oblast

On October 8, a 65-year-old woman died as a result of the Russian shelling of Vovchansk. On October 10, two 45-year-old women and a 34-year-old man were injured as a result of a Russian attack on Velykyi Burluk. They were hit by an S-300 missile. On October 11, the occupiers struck at Kharkiv: they hit a private residential building, and one person was injured. On the night of October 15, the Russians dropped a guided bomb on the village of Druzheliubivtsi. Two people were killed and another woman was hospitalized with shrapnel wounds. A private house was destroyed and a fire broke out.

Odesa oblast

On the night of October 10, Russians hit the logistics infrastructure in the Odesa oblast. No one was injured. On the night of October 12, a drone attack in the Odesa oblast damaged private homes and warehouses in the port area, and fires broke out. An 88-year-old woman was hospitalized with thermal burns.

Sumy oblast

On October 10, the Russians attacked the Krasnopillia community. In the village of Uhroidy, a 13-year-old girl who was wounded, she died in an ambulance on the way to Sumy. On the night of October 15, the occupants attacked the Yunakivka community. There were 10 explosions from MLRS and 2 explosions from a mortar.

Poltava oblast

On October 11, an explosion occurred in Myrhorod. There were no hits to critical or civilian infrastructure. There were no reports of injuries or deaths.

Dnipropetrovsk oblast

On October 11, a Russian attack on a gymnasium killed four people and injured two others in Nikopol. An infrastructure facility, 42 private houses, outbuildings, solar panels, a shop, and a car were damaged in the city. During the night of October 15, the occupiers fired at the Nikopol district with heavy artillery. Almost 40 shells were aimed at the district center and the Marhanets community.

Zaporizhzhia oblast

On October 11, a 74-year-old woman died as a result of the occupiers' shelling of the Shyroke community in Zaporizhzhia district. Private sector residential buildings were destroyed. On the night of October 15, the outskirts of Zaporizhzhia came under fire. The Russians fired at the city with S-300 air defense systems. Infrastructure facilities were partially destroyed.

This week shelling and strikes

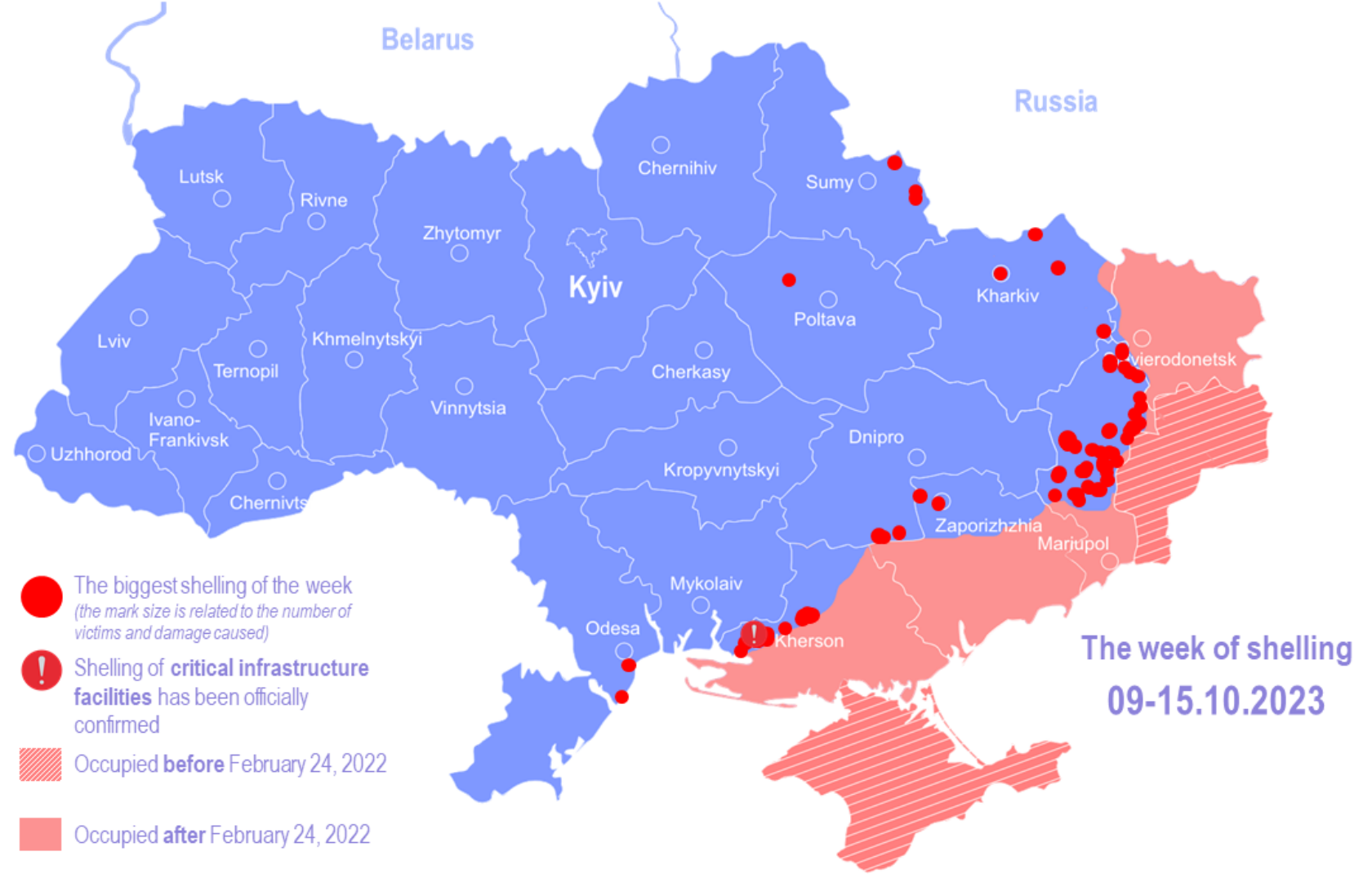
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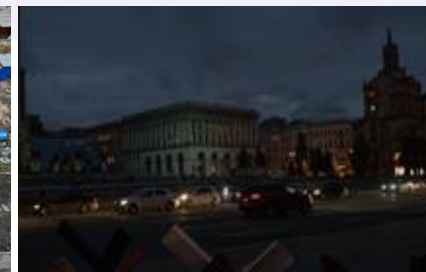
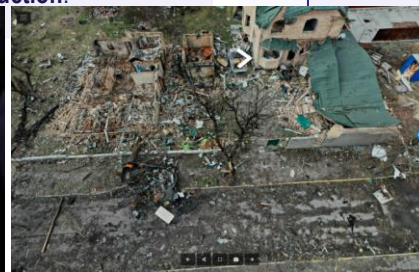
- 51% of Ukrainian youth say they experience **overwhelming anxiety** from time to time. Young people rated their level of anxiety in recent weeks at three out of five points, where one means no anxiety and five points signify a constant presence of anxiety. However, 55% of respondents never seek help, 32% seek help but rarely, and 11% of respondents seek help often or constantly.
- Additionally, another **9 children** who were in the occupied territories of Kherson Oblast have been **returned to Ukraine**. In total, since the beginning of the year, 121 children have been brought back from the temporarily occupied regions of Kherson Oblast. The return of these children was facilitated by Save Ukraine with the support of the Office of the Ukrainian Parliament Commissioner for Human Rights and the Ministry of Reintegration.
- In September, **inflation** in Ukraine fell to **7.1%** in annualized terms, as reported by the State Statistics Service. This marks the **lowest rate in the last 2.5 years**.
- This winter, Ukraine's air defense forces will actively focus their efforts on **protecting the energy sector**, strategic state facilities, and critical infrastructure. This announcement was made by Yuri Ilnat, the spokesperson of the Air Force of the Armed Forces of Ukraine.

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- Russian militants from the **Redut private military company** engaged in looting in Kyiv Oblast and **tortured people** in Kharkiv Oblast. Videos obtained by 'The Schemes' journalists reveal that Redut members, during an attempt to storm Kyiv Oblast in February-March 2022, concealed their military equipment in the yards of local residents, seized other people's homes, and appropriated cars and other property. In a video from August-September of the previous year, Redut members were recorded taking residents of Kharkiv Oblast for **interrogation and torture**.
- In the village of Hroza, **six children were orphaned** due to Russian shelling, while **five** more became **half-orphans**. Currently, their relatives are taking care of the children, and official guardianship will be formalized after the funeral. Most of the children have grandparents, aunts, and uncles. There are no children without any relatives at all.
- Ukrainian human rights activists, in collaboration with the Lemkin Institute (USA), have submitted a new communication to the International Criminal Court concerning **Russia's delay in repatriating deported Ukrainian children**. The authors of this submission, from the Regional Center for Human Rights, contend that the delay in repatriation can be categorized as **both a war crime and a crime against humanity**. Human rights activists are requesting the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court to, among other things, amend the arrest warrant for Putin and Maria Lvova-Belova, citing the delay in repatriation as a distinct offense. They are also urging the issuance of new warrants not only for Putin and his Ombudsperson for Children's Rights but for the leaders of the occupied territories as well.

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- By the beginning of winter, Ukrainian **gas storage** facilities will hold more than 16 billion cubic meters of gas. These reserves are sufficient to provide us with confidence during the winter season. This statement was made by Oleksii Chernyshov, Chairman of the Board of Naftogaz of Ukraine, in an interview with LB.ua. Chernyshov also added, "We will continue **our own gas production**."



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- The Office of the Prosecutor General believes that Russia's war against Ukraine is currently the **most documented war in history**. For instance, Skydio drones are utilized to remotely record war crimes, Palantir solutions are employed to process the collected evidence, and Microsoft's Azure software deciphers video and audio materials, recognizes voices, and establishes connections between different data.
- As reported by the Center for Investigative Journalism, in the occupied territory of Zaporizhzhia Oblast, Russian occupiers promised to offer **medical care solely to individuals holding Russian Federation passports**.

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- Forensic experts have identified all those killed in the village of Hroza. Russian troops **killed 59 people** with an Iskander missile, as reported by the Minister of Internal Affairs.
- Ukraine is preparing **three levels of protection for energy facilities** for the winter: protection from debris and blast waves, kamikaze drones, and missiles. In an interview with Radio Liberty, Ukrenergo CEO Volodymyr Kudrytskyi assures that this protection will be "fairly uniform" across all regions, and the installation of protective structures "should be completed before the onset of cold weather." However, he notes that no protection in the world can provide an exact guarantee against damage, so they are working to minimize the consequences of attacks. The possibility of power outages depends on the scale of the shelling.
- Kyrilo Budanov, the head of Defense Intelligence in Ukraine, points out that Ukraine will once again face a "**battle for electricity**" in the winter, as the Russians have replenished their forces and resources for attacking Ukrainian infrastructure.
- Russia was planning to create an artificial, man-made disaster at the Zaporizhzhia nuclear power plant – an **overload of the system and a controlled release of radiation**. According to Kyrilo Budanov, the crisis was averted, but if the enemy desires, it has the capability to repeat it.

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- Only 37% of subscribers are connected to internet networks that are unaffected by power outages. This is the average figure across Ukraine. For instance, in Kyiv, Rivne, and Ternopil Oblasts, it's around 60%, while in Kyiv, it's as low as 9%, which Yuri Matsyk, director of the Department for the Development of Fixed Internet at the Ministry of Digital Transformation, describes as "a critical situation".
- The European Bank has allocated €30 million for **infrastructure and transportation upgrades** in five Ukrainian cities: Kyiv, Odesa, Lviv, Lutsk, and Sumy.
- In Crimea, security forces have detained **lawyer Oleksii Ladin**, who defends Kremlin prisoners. According to lawyer Liliia Gemedzhi, it's known that Ladin is accused of "discrediting" the Russian army through a post on Facebook, but no further details are available at this time. After the search, he was taken away, and his colleagues are currently attempting to locate him.