



# Transatlantic Dialogue Center

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# International support

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- According to irozhlas.cz, the Czech Republic has opened 384 **criminal cases over public support for Russia's war** against Ukraine
- The US state of Wyoming **recognized the Holodomor** (man-made famine) in 1932-1933 **as genocide** of the Ukrainian nation. This is the 32nd state to make such a decision.
- **Norway** allocates another €84 million for **humanitarian support** to Ukraine. The money will go to specialized Norwegian organizations that will use the funds to support people who have lost their homes, education, medical services, psychological support, and protection of civilians. Norway will also help with demining.
- A **training center for F-16** fighter pilots has been **opened** at the Fetesti airbase in **Romania**. The center will train from scratch and conduct professional development courses. Romanian pilots will start training tomorrow. The start date of training for Ukrainians has not yet been announced, but it is expected to happen soon. The Netherlands provided the fighter jets for the training. A total of 12 to 18 aircraft will be deployed at the base.
- The United States has bought **60 Gepard anti-aircraft guns from Jordan** and will hand them over to Ukraine, De Telegraaf reports. The Netherlands sold these systems to Amman in 2016. Most of them will still need to be repaired and refitted.
- The **British** Defense Ministry reported on the transfer of more than 82,000 helmets, 25,000 sets of winter clothing, 10,000 bulletproof vests and 70,000 dry rations to Ukraine.
- The United States holds back **Russia's** growing **presence** in the global **LNG market** - *Financial Times*. In early November, the State Department announced sanctions on Russia's new Arctic LNG 2 project, effectively blocking European and Asian countries from buying liquefied natural gas from the supplier when it begins production next year. This is the first time that sanctions have directly affected LNG supplies.
- German Defense Minister Pistorius announced that Berlin will **double its military aid** to Ukraine to €8 billion **in 2024**.

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- The US Treasury Department has launched the largest **investigation into Russian oil exports** in oil sanctions violation. According to Reuters, the department suspects about 30 companies and checks about 100 tankers for involvement.
- **Germany** handed over another **package of military aid** to Ukraine. The aid includes tanks and other armored vehicles and various equipment, drones, and radars.
- **The European Commission** allocates an additional €110 million for **humanitarian support** to Ukrainians, affected by the full-scale war.
- The German concern **Rheinmetall** received an order from the German government to supply **25 Leopard 1A5 tanks** to Ukraine in 2024. The tanks will be repaired and re-equipped. They will be accompanied by five Bergepanzer 2 armored repair and recovery vehicles and two training tanks. Next year, the Armed Forces of Ukraine will also receive 14 more Leopard 2A4 tanks, funded by the Netherlands and Denmark.
- **Slovakia** will finance the production of two Bozena-4 **demining vehicles** for Ukraine. They should be delivered to Kherson oblast in early 2024. Slovakia will also provide humanitarian aid for the winter period and share its experience in demining.
- The French foundation Médecin Servier has allocated €8.2 million to **restore the medical industry** in Ukraine. This was announced by Mykhailo Fedorov, Minister of Digital Transformation.
- NATO Secretary General **Stoltenberg** stated that the only way to achieve peace in Ukraine is to provide Kyiv with military assistance and strengthen its capabilities. "*So far, we do not see Putin's willingness to negotiate a solution acceptable to Ukraine,*" he emphasized.
- The **Azerbaijani** authorities have allocated \$7.6 million to purchase and supply **electrical equipment** to Ukraine to provide humanitarian aid.



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- **The Czech Republic has frozen all Russian state assets**. "This is the end of the commercial activity, from which Russia finances the killing of Ukrainians," Czech Foreign Minister Jan Lipavsky said.
- Ukraine has signed an agreement with international **insurance companies** to provide affordable insurance for ships, using the **Black Sea corridor**. The lack of affordable insurance was the main obstacle to increasing the flow of ships through the corridor.
- David Cameron, the new **British Foreign Secretary**, arrived in Kyiv for his **first foreign visit**. With Zelenskyi he discussed weapons for the front line, strengthening air defense, and protecting Ukrainians and critical infrastructure.
- **Moldova** has **joined** four of the six packages of **sanctions**, imposed by the EU against Russia. This was announced by Nicu Popescu, Minister of Foreign Affairs and European Integration, during a press conference.
- The return of the system of issuing permits to Ukrainian carriers to operate in the EU, a key demand of **Polish carriers blocking the border** with Ukraine, is legally impossible, European Commission spokesman Adalbert Janz said. Such actions would contradict the Agreement between the EU and Ukraine on the carriage of freight by road.
- **Denmark** has handed over SeaBat T51-R autonomous **hydrographic systems** for the needs of the Ukrainian Navy. This complex is equipped with a multibeam echo sounder designed to survey the bottom topography for situational awareness of the underwater space.
- The SOS palidzība Ukrainai organization, with the support of the Latvian community in Chicago, donated **Bandvagn all-terrain vehicles** to Ukraine. The all-terrain vehicles were purchased from the Norwegian army's decommissioned equipment warehouse, where the organization managed to buy four Bandvagn all-terrain vehicles.
- **Switzerland** called for the establishment of a **special tribunal for the crime of aggression** against Ukraine.

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- **Finland** announced another package of **military aid** to Ukraine but traditionally does not disclose its content. Only its value is known - €100 million. As of today, this is the 20th package from Finland, with a total amount of €1.5 billion.
- **The Netherlands** and **Lithuania** have also announced **new aid** for Ukraine. Amsterdam allocates an additional €2 billion for military needs in 2024, and Vilnius sends generators and dry rations.
- Since the beginning of the full-scale Russian invasion in 2022, Ukraine has received more than **\$230 billion in aid**. The EU and the US together account for almost 70% of the total aid.
- The Swedish government allocates \$6.7 million to the UNESCO crisis fund to **rebuild destroyed** and damaged Ukrainian **schools and kindergartens**.
- The state of **Iowa** in the United States has **recognized the Holodomor** of 1932-1933 **as genocide** of the Ukrainian nation. This is the 33rd state to make such a decision.
- The United States is ready to provide Ukraine with up to \$500 million to **strengthen its energy system**. Washington has already provided Ukraine with more than \$520 million in energy sector assistance. The United States is working with the Ukrainian government to build a decentralized energy system that is fully integrated with Europe - more sustainable and much more environmentally friendly.
- Five Italian arms and military equipment companies have joined the **Alliance of Defense Industries** of Ukraine. This was reported by the Ministry of Strategic Industries of Ukraine.
- According to the US Defense Department, the Pentagon is already involved in training Ukrainian pilots on F-16 fighter jets, and the United States plans to provide Ukraine with spare parts for these aircraft.

# Military positions

- The operational situation in the Volyn and Polissia directions has not significantly changed.
- In the Siverskyi (Chernihiv) and Slobozhanskyi (Kharkiv, Sumy) directions, the army of the Russian Federation maintains a military presence in the border areas, conducts active diversionary activities in order to prevent the transfer of Ukrainian troops to threatening directions, increases the density of mine and explosive barriers along the state border in the Belgorod oblast.
- In the Kupiansk direction, Russian troops conducted assault operations in the areas of Synkivka, Petropavlivka, and Ivanivka. In the Lyman direction, the occupiers conducted unsuccessful assaults north of Serebrianka, Donetsk oblast.
- In the Bakhmut direction, Ukrainian troops repelled a number of attacks in the areas of Vasiukivka, Klishchiivka, and Andriivka. In turn, the Defense Forces of Ukraine continue their assault south of Bakhmut, inflict losses on the Russians in terms of manpower and equipment, and establish themselves at the achieved borders.
- In the Avdiivka direction, the enemy does not stop trying to surround Avdiivka. Ukrainian troops are firmly holding the defense and inflicting significant losses on the invaders. The offensive actions of the occupiers near Keramika, east of Novobakhmutivka, Stepove, Avdiivka, and south of Tonenke of the Donetsk oblast were unsuccessful.
- The Russian army conducted unsuccessful assaults in the areas of Marinka and Novomykhailivka in the Marinka direction and south of Vodiane in the Shakhtarsk direction.
- In the Zaporizhzhia direction, the occupiers conducted unsuccessful assaults near Robotyne and west of Verbove.
- At the same time, the Defense Forces of Ukraine continue to conduct an offensive operation in the Melitopol direction, inflict losses in manpower and equipment on the occupying forces, and exhaust the enemy along the entire front line.
- In the Kherson direction, Ukrainian soldiers are conducting a counter-battery fight, inflicting fire damage on the enemy's rear. Ukrainian marine units, together with other components of the Defense Forces, will continue to hold positions on the left bank of the Dnipro River, repelling Russian attacks. The defenders are fixed on the occupied borders and inflict fire damage on the occupants.

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- The army of drones hit 220 units of enemy equipment in the past week. Ukrainian soldiers continue to show great results in demilitarizing the enemy along the entire front line. Among the destroyed are 39 tanks, 57 guns, 51 trucks, 34 armored vehicles and many other equipment.
- In the Bakhmut direction, Russian troops are advancing simultaneously on several flanks and are trying to regain lost positions in Andriivka and Klishchiivka. The villages near Bakhmut, which were recaptured by the Ukrainian Defense Forces, remain important for the Russians because they open the passage to Chasiv Yar, which is an advantageous height. The commander of the Ground Forces of the Ukrainian Armed Forces Oleksandr Syrskyi reports that the Russian military is continuing its offensive and trying to seize the initiative. According to him, the Russian army has increased the use of kamikaze drones. Also, in two weeks, Russian troops lost more than 4,000 people, and the Defense Forces destroyed and damaged more than 500 units of Russian military equipment in the area of responsibility of the Khortytsia operational-strategic group.
- Russia began to use ballistic missiles against Ukraine more regularly since ballistics are not an easy target for air defense forces. This was stated by the spokesman of the Air Force Command of the Armed Forces of Ukraine, Colonel Yurii Ihnat. "This is a goal exceptionally for complexes such as Patriot, SAMP/T, which we expect to receive from France and Italy," he noted.
- Western officials believe that the war in Ukraine may drag on for another five years, — Economist. "The war in Ukraine has become a reminder of how much ammunition is wasted in major wars, as well as how meager Western arsenals and means of replenishing them are," the publication writes. The Economist notes that the US is ramping up production of 155 mm artillery shells, but its production in 2025 will likely still be lower than Russia's in 2024.
- The Ukrainian army has already recaptured about 50% of the previously occupied territories. This was stated by the head of the Presidential Office Andrii Yermak. Yermak noted that currently, the number of the Russian group in Ukraine is three times larger than at the beginning of the aggression. Therefore, Ukraine needs further international support.

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- 58 combat clashes took place at the front.
- Air alarms in Ukraine have become longer due to longer flights of MiG-31K Kinzhals carriers. They practice new maneuvers and refueling in the air, but why and for what reasons - the Air Forces of the Armed Forces of Ukraine do not know.
- Near Avdiivka, the Defense Forces shot down another Russian Su-25, the spokesperson of the United Press Center of the Defense Forces of the Tavria direction reports. This is already the 8th destroyed enemy aircraft in the Avdiivka direction since October 10, 2023.
- The Minister of Defense reported on the progress of the investigation into the tragedy involving the 128th Separate Mountain Assault Brigade. According to Rustem Umerov, it is currently known minute by minute what and how it happened. "Yes, they really gathered fighters in the yard of the house to reward them. All the masking rules were ignored. At that time, there was a Russian reconnaissance drone in the sky. It was recorded. An air alert was announced throughout the region. The military was warned about the sector in which the enemy UAV is operating. As soon as the missile launch was detected, the "missile danger" signal was broadcast. No centralized security measures were taken at the place of awarding," the minister said. The investigation in this case continues. "All those who are guilty of this tragedy will be punished according to the law," Umerov added.

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- 62 combat clashes took place at the front.
- At night, the Russians attacked with 18 attack UAVs of the Shahed type. Air defense forces destroyed 16 attack UAVs and 1 guided air missile.
- For the first time in the world, it was in the Black Sea that a fleet of naval drones began to operate - the Ukrainian fleet. This was announced by Volodymyr Zelenskyi during his participation in the summit of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization (PABSEC). "We were able to provide such protection to the western part of the Black Sea, which now enables our maritime export corridors to operate.."

## Losses of the Russian army from 13.11.2023 to 19.11.2023

Liquidated personnel	6820
Tanks	86
IFVs	93
Artillery systems / MLRS	185/17
Anti-aircraft warfare systems	8
Aircraft / helicopters	1/0
UAVs	123
Ships/boats	0
Vehicles & fuel tanks	176
Special equipment	18

# Military positions

<b>16.11</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ More than 800 missiles are concentrated in the temporarily occupied Crimea for attacks on the Ukrainian energy industry this winter, the spokeswoman of Operational Command South Natalia Humeniuk said. "The enemy will deploy a powerful military hub on the peninsula. In particular, missiles of the Kalibr and Onyx type. The potential of the enemy is accumulating, and this is obvious," Humeniuk noted.</li> <li>➤ Ukraine has embarked on mass production of domestic Shaheds, Minister of Strategic Industries Oleksandr Kamyshyn informed. He said that the defense industry makes a significant contribution to the growth of Ukraine's economy.</li> <li>➤ The situation on the battlefield in Ukraine is more difficult than expected in NATO, said the Secretary General of the Alliance, Jens Stoltenberg. He emphasized, "That's not an argument against support, it is an argument in favor of more support for Ukraine because again, we cannot allow President Putin to win."</li> </ul>
<b>17.11</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ That night, 9 out of 10 Shahed-136/131 attack drones were shot down by air defense forces. In addition, the Russians used several S-300 anti-aircraft-guided missiles in the direction of Donetsk.</li> <li>➤ Ukraine has already destroyed 15 Russian ships, another 12 were damaged. Dmytro Pletenchuk, the spokesman of the Naval Forces of the Ukrainian Armed Forces, reported this. According to him, many Russian ships were damaged, in particular by naval drones.</li> <li>➤ The Marines of the Ukrainian Armed Forces confirmed the fortifications on the left bank of the Dnipro River in the Kherson region. The Marines, in cooperation with other units of the Defense Forces, managed to gain a foothold on several bridgeheads. During the fighting, the Russian invaders suffered heavy losses in manpower and equipment. In particular, since the beginning of these measures, the enemy has lost personnel in the amount of 1,216 killed and 2,217 wounded, 24 tanks, 89 artillery systems and mortars, and other numerous weapons and equipment.</li> <li>➤ Russia practically froze the exchange of prisoners with Ukraine. According to Petro Yatsenko, representative of the Coordinating Headquarters for the Treatment of Prisoners of War, the Russian Federation is not interested in the fate of its prisoners, so they are delaying the exchange and creating various obstacles. "In May of this year, we had several large exchanges, now the last one took place on August 7. We were able to get back only 22 people. There are various reasons for delaying these exchanges and actually...to slow down the process and to be able to do some propaganda campaigns. We believe that this is done precisely for this," he emphasized. According to estimates, 4,337 citizens of Ukraine are in Russian captivity. Of these, 3,574 are military personnel and 763 are civilians, the Commission on Deprivation of Personal Freedom as a result of armed aggression against Ukraine reports.</li> </ul>
<b>18.11</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ On the night of November 18, the invaders again attacked Ukraine with attack drones. Ukrainian defenders destroyed 29 out of 38 enemy's Shaheds.</li> <li>➤ 67 combat clashes took place during the day.</li> <li>➤ The Armed Forces already control 10 square kilometers on the left bank of the Dnipro River, - ISW. Despite the enemy's attempts to prevent it, the Armed Forces of Ukraine are able to resupply their positions on the left bank and there are reports of an increase in the number of Ukrainian groups on the left bank in recent weeks. Units of one of the Russian brigades suffered heavy losses from Ukrainian artillery fire on November 10 in the Hola Prystan district of the Kherson oblast.</li> <li>➤ The winter weather will not lead to major changes at the front, British intelligence believes. According to analysts, heavy fighting is currently taking place on the Kupiansk axis in the Luhansk oblast, around Avdiivka, and on the left bank of the Dnipro River in the Kherson oblast, where the Ukrainian military has established a bridgehead.</li> <li>➤ The state handed over 2,000 drones to the Ukrainian military. The General Staff will distribute and transfer the drones to the military on the hottest areas of the front. The batch included "birds" exclusively of Ukrainian production. Among them are copters and aircraft-type UAVs: reconnaissance, kamikaze, and reusable bombers. Drones will help to hit enemy positions and equipment. All UAVs were purchased within the framework of the state program, Minister of Digital Transformation Mykhailo Fedorov said.</li> </ul>

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✓ During the week, the Russians conducted 39 missile and 318 air strikes and carried out more than 393 shelling with MLRS.

## Attack on the night of November 18

- The Ukrainian air forces shot down 29 out of 38 Russian drones during the night of November 18.
- Approximately ten drones targeted Kyiv, which was attacked for the second time within a month. The Ukrainian air forces intercepted them on approach to the capital.
  - The Ukrainians shot down six drones over Mykolaiv oblast and one each in Kherson and Odesa oblasts. In Odesa oblast, a UAV struck an energy infrastructure facility, causing damage to an administrative building and injuring one person. Following this attack, 2,000 families in Odesa oblast were left without electricity, and response efforts are underway.
  - The Ukrainians shot down four out of eight drones over Zaporizhzhia, resulting in a fire outbreak at infrastructure facilities due to the attack.

## Dnipropetrovsk oblast

As a result of a Russian drone attack on Nikopol in the Dnipropetrovsk oblast, one person was killed and another was wounded.

## Sumy oblast

In Sumy oblast, a 48-year-old man was wounded by shelling from the territory of the Russian Federation. Around 12:00, the Russian army shelled the town of Seredyno-Buda with a mortar. In addition, a power line was damaged, and shrapnel cut the facades of private houses.

## Khmelnyskyi oblast

In Khmelnytskyi oblast, a truck was damaged by shrapnel from an air target. In addition, shrapnel caused damage to the roof, and windows of a workshop and a three-story building as well as vegetable oil storage tanks on the territory of food warehouses.

## Donetsk oblast

Russia continues to terrorize the oblast by shelling both remote settlements and the entire front line. On the night of November 15, at around midnight, Russians launched a rocket attack on Selydove, killing 4 people, damaging 16 private houses and 8 multistory buildings, and destroying 1 more private house.

On the Donetsk direction, Avdiivka, Antonivka, Netailove, Hrodivka, Kurakhove, Ivanivka, Krasnohorivka, Uspenivka, Veselyi Hai, Hanivka, Maksymilianivka, Selydove, Kurakhivka, Hostre, Katerynivka, Yelyzavetivka, Soloviove, Ocheretyne, Kurakhivka i Marinka communities are affected. The industrial zone was struck, and houses, the private sector, industrial buildings, and an agricultural enterprise were damaged.

On Horlivka direction, Pivdenne, Pivnichne, Toretsk, Raiske, Zalizne, Serebrianka, Rozdolivka, Shcherbynivka, Vasiukivka, Minkivka, Yablunivka, Torske, Zarichne, Yampil, Mykolaivka, Toretsk, Chasiv Yar, Kostiantynivka, Druzhkivka, Soledar communities came under fire. Houses, outbuildings, industrial buildings, administrative buildings, and infrastructure facilities were damaged.

On Lysychansk direction, Siversk, Lyman, Zvanivka communities, Pereizne, and Zvanivka are affected. Houses, non-residential buildings, and administrative offices were damaged.

Residential houses were damaged. There are casualties reported in all directions.

## Kharkiv and the Kharkiv oblast

On November 12, the Russians launched a missile attack from the S-300 air defense system in the Shevchenkivskyi district of Kharkiv. The missile struck the ground, damaging an entertainment complex, with no casualties. Additionally, a private house in the village of Cherneshchyna, Iziur district was damaged due to a guided missile strike. On November 15, three residential buildings in the village of Kozacha Lopan were damaged, and two men aged 70 and 77 were injured. In the village of Ivashky, Bohodukhiv district, a grain cleaning complex was damaged by mortar fire. On November 16, the Russians struck Chuhuiv with S-300 air defense systems, causing damage to the buildings of an educational institution and a private house in the city, with no casualties. In Kupiansk, Russian shelling damaged three private houses and two outbuildings. Additionally, a UAV strike on Borova, Iziur district, caused damage to the building and equipment of the fire and rescue unit.

In addition, Kupiansk-Vuzlovyyi, Vovchansk, Lyptsi, Starytsia, Budarky, Dvorichna, the villages of Kruhliakivka, Spodobivka, Veteryname, Ohirtseve, Nesterne, Synkivka, Petropavlivka, Ivanivka, Kyslivka, and other settlements came under Russian fire.

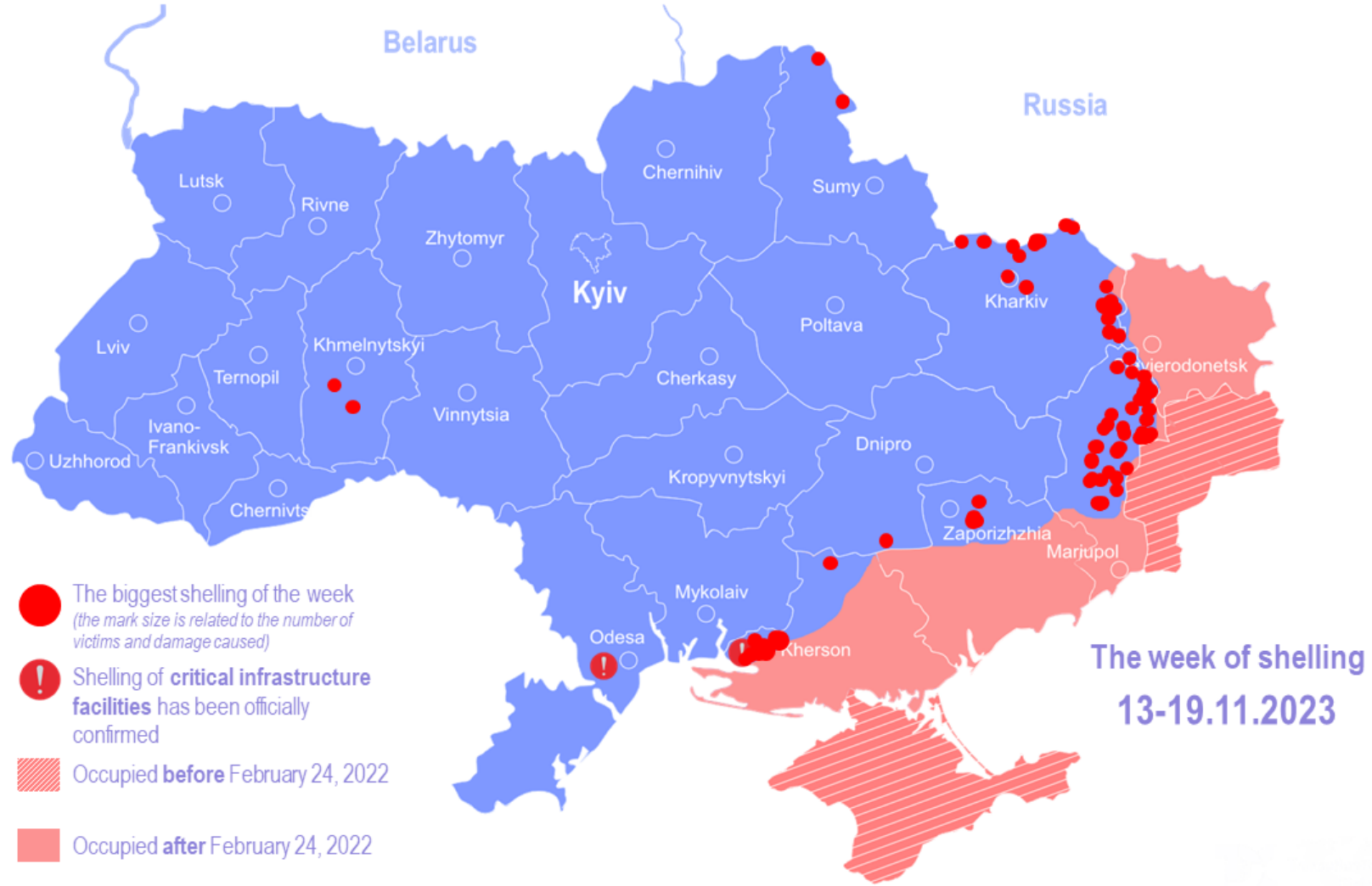
## Kherson and the Kherson oblast

The Russian army continues the intense shelling of Kherson oblast. On November 13, Russians targeted the road at the entrance to a village in the Kherson district. The shells struck a car carrying a man, a woman, and a two-month-old baby. The driver was killed, the woman was hospitalized, and the child was also taken to the hospital with a mine-blast wound. On the same day, the Russian military shelled a hospital in Kherson, resulting in the deaths of two people. Eight vehicles were destroyed, including two official cars, five private cars, and an ambulance. The buildings of a state institution, a hospital, and more than a dozen houses sustained damage. In total, the number of people injured in the Kherson community due to the Russian military shelling reached 17: 3 residents were killed, and 14 were injured. On the morning of November 14, Russians shelled residential buildings in the Korabelnyi district of Kherson, resulting in the injury of a 54-year-old woman. The city faced renewed shelling the following day, leading to the death of a 67-year-old man. On November 16, Bilozerka was targeted by Russians, resulting in the death of one person and injuries to two others. Residential buildings and a grocery store were damaged, and a critical infrastructure facility was destroyed, leaving Bilozerka and the surrounding villages without electricity. On the same day, Kherson was heavily shelled, causing the deaths of three people and injuries to eight. Throughout the day, six people were killed, and ten were wounded in the Kherson oblast. The Russian army also targeted Osokorivka, Veletenske, and Daryivka community, resulting in one fatality and injuries to two people.

## Zaporizhzhia and the Zaporizhzhia oblast

On November 15, Russian troops carried out three rocket attacks on civilian infrastructure in a settlement in the Zaporizhzhia district. The shelling resulted in the deaths of two employees of the State Emergency Service of Ukraine and injured three others. Four civilians were also wounded. The blast wave and shrapnel damaged houses, two cars and outbuildings.

# This week shelling and strikes



Donetsk oblast



Kherson oblast



# Humanitarian crisis

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- As of November 12, **257 children** have been **evacuated** from perilous communities in the Kupiansk region. Oleh Syniehubov, head of the Kharkiv Regional Military Administration, stated on Telegram that an additional 35 children are set for evacuation.
- In the temporarily occupied city of Enerhodar, the occupying 'social services' **took away a 10-year-old boy** after the passing of his guardian, his grandfather. The occupying forces have withheld information about the child's whereabouts. Ivan Fedorov, Mayor of Melitopol, made this known to the public, noting that the **boy's remaining relatives are actively searching for him**. Fedorov added that according to data from the enemy's 'Ministry of Social Policy of Zaporizhzhia Oblast', the occupiers located guardians and **abducted 223 children in the past year**.
- In Kherson Oblast, Olha Maliarchuk, deputy head of the military administration, disclosed during a briefing that **deminers have covered nearly 20% of the right bank**. She mentioned the engagement of around 140 demining teams from diverse agencies in the demining efforts. The focus is on clearing over 133.5 thousand hectares of territory, with almost 112 thousand hectares being agricultural land. These efforts have resulted in the discovery and neutralization of over **123.5 thousand explosive items** in these areas.
- In the occupied territories of Zaporizhzhia Oblast, Russians keep **registering men for 'military service'** as part of a covert mobilization strategy. Ivan Fedorov, Mayor of Melitopol, brought attention to this, highlighting that the occupiers are replicating **the Donetsk scenario**. They conduct forced passportization, issue summonses purportedly for 'military registration', and subsequently **mobilize individuals** to the frontlines.

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- Ukrainian Prime Minister Denys Shmyhal announced that the newly established 'grain corridor', maintained by the Ukrainian Defense Forces, has facilitated the passage of 100 vessels. He mentioned that over 3.7 million tons of products have already been exported from Ukrainian ports. Efforts are underway to enhance accessibility to the **Black Sea maritime corridor** for a broader spectrum of exporters.
- Mykola Kuleba, a founder of the Save Ukraine organization, reported the **return of four more Ukrainian children** and their families from the temporarily occupied territories. "During the last school year, two of these children attended online classes at a Ukrainian school while enduring constant Russian raids in their village. Their mother, during these classes, vigilantly watched out the window to ensure Russian soldiers didn't breach the house," Kuleba detailed. Eventually, due to military threats – threats to take their children, confiscate their homes, and deport them – the family felt compelled to send their children to a Russian school.

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- The Crimean Tatar Resource Center reported an **increasing number of searches** in the homes of Crimean Tatars in the temporarily occupied Crimea. Additionally, it was revealed that 22-year-old **Farhad Soliev was kidnapped** in Crimea, as reported by Crimean Solidarity. "A video surveillance camera captured his abduction by people wearing uniform, likely FSB officers. Currently, we've filed a statement with the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Sevastopol and Simferopol," said Lenara Seidalieva, the abducted individual's mother. She expressed her distress, not knowing her son's whereabouts or what had happened to him.
- Since the start of the full-scale invasion by the Russian Federation, Ukraine has experienced 576 **incidents involving mines** and explosive devices, as reported by the Military Media Center. These incidents have resulted in injuries to 852 individuals, with 265 fatalities and 587 injuries.

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- The State Enterprise National Nuclear Energy Generating Company "Energoatom" reported that on November 14 of this year, due to the incompetence of the Russian invaders and Rosatom employees, a partial **blackout occurred at the Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Plant**. A power outage took place at the sixth power unit, resulting in the activation of diesel generators and safety systems, which operated for 90 minutes. These details are corroborated by information from IAEA inspectors present at the nuclear power plant site. The company reiterated that since the start of the occupation of Zaporizhzhia NPP, there have been seven complete blackouts. Such incidents pose a threat not just locally but to the entire continent due to the occupiers' lack of responsibility for the nuclear and radiation safety of the plant.
- The international organization Global Rights Compliance has **gathered evidence** indicating **Russia's plans to induce a famine in Ukraine**. According to recent information, Moscow was actively preparing to seize Ukrainian grain and cause a famine before February 24, 2022, as reported by The Independent. A new report by human rights experts confirms that from the onset of the conflict, Russians deliberately targeted grain-rich areas and food production infrastructure. The organization discovered that a Russian defense contractor began purchasing grain trucks and three new 170-meter bulk carriers as early as December 2021, suggesting premeditated efforts to plunder Ukraine's food resources on an unprecedented scale. Russia took control of Ukrainian farms less than a week after its invasion, exporting up to 12,000 tons of grain per day from all occupied territories at its peak.
- Activists from the Book of Memory of the Fallen for Ukraine community analyzed open-source data regarding Ukrainian soldiers' casualties since the beginning of the Russian full-scale invasion. According to their estimates, at least 30,000 Ukrainian **defenders have lost their lives in the war** (not including those among the missing, numbering approximately 15,000).

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- Since the beginning of the full-scale offensive, **Russia and Belarus have coordinated efforts to deport** and re-educate **Ukrainian children**. As of October 30 this year, a minimum of 2,442 Ukrainians aged six to 17, including those from vulnerable groups, have been transported to Belarusian territory. This information is highlighted in a study conducted by the American Laboratory for Humanitarian Research at the Yale School of Public Health (Yale HRL). Previously, the ZMINA Human Rights Center disclosed that Belarus has acknowledged the deportation of Ukrainian children, and the process persists with the personal support and consent of self-proclaimed President Alexander Lukashenko.
- According to the Ministry of Reintegration, there are **4,337 Ukrainians in Russian captivity**, comprising 3,574 military personnel and 763 civilians. The Coordination Headquarters for the Treatment of Prisoners of War previously asserted that Russia withholds information regarding the locations and conditions of detention of Ukrainian prisoners. Additionally, there is no available information about their health status.
- Since February 2022, 19,740 men have **unlawfully crossed the Ukrainian border**, and an additional 21,113 individuals have been apprehended while attempting to escape abroad. The BBC reported this based on information from Poland, Romania, Moldova, Hungary, and Slovakia. Fedir Venyslavskiy, the President's representative in the Verkhovna Rada, stated that 1-5% of men are attempting to evade military service.

