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# **Weekly briefing**

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- > The European Union is providing funding for a new humanitarian demining initiative in Ukraine. The press service of the EU Delegation in Kyiv reported that the amount of funding is 2 million euros
- > Germany does not oppose Ukraine's use of German-made weapons in Russia. German Ministry of Defense spokesman Arno Kollatz said that the weapons provided by Germany to the Ukrainian side become the property of Ukraine from the moment of their transfer and can be used by it as Kyiv deems necessary and correct. Germany said that international law provides for the possibility of waging military operations on the territory of the aggressor country to defend its own state
- > Despite the sanctions, billions of dollars and euros in cash are flowing into Russia, Reuters reports. Since March 2022, almost \$2.3 billion in cash has been imported into Russia. The banknotes were imported from the UAE and Turkey, in particular, as they did not impose restrictions on currency exports to Russia. At the same time, the country of origin, from which more than half of the currency came to Russia, was not specified in the documents. In March 2022, the European Union banned the sale, supply, and export of euro banknotes in Russia. Subsequently, the United States banned the supply of dollar bills to Russia.
- > Ukraine has received €4.2 billion from the European Union under the Ukraine Facility program. The funds will be spent on social programs, humanitarian aid, and other important budget programs.
- > Ukraine plans to hire foreign retired pilots to pilot Western fighter jets and fight against Russia. This was stated by US politician Lindsey Graham after a meeting with President Volodymyr Zelenskyi. The government will be looking for retired pilots from NATO countries to fly the transferred F-16s until Ukrainian specialists complete their training
- Latvia has sent Ukraine a batch of about 500 more drones, Defense Minister Andris Spruds said. On 5 July, the Latvian Ministry of Defense announced that Ukraine would receive more than 2,500 combat drones of various types worth €4 million.
- > The purpose of the Ukrainian Defense Forces' offensive in the Kursk region of the Russian Federation is to protect its citizens and territories from Russian attacks. The Ukrainian side is not interested in taking away the territories of the Kursk region from Russia. This was stated by the spokesperson for the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine, Heorhii Tykhyi, at a press conference.
- > Russia is trying to influence countries that plan to sell Soviet and Russian weapons to Ukraine. Dmytro Shuhaiev, director of the Russian Federal Service for Military and Technical Cooperation, said that one of the tools was the revocation of licenses from repair companies abroad. Supplies of spare parts and components for the repair of Russian (Soviet) military equipment are also being stopped. As an example, he cited the revocation of licenses in 2022 for a number of companies in Bulgaria and the Czech Republic to repair Mi helicopters.
- "A dilemma for Putin". US President Joe Biden has commented on the Ukrainian Armed Forces offensive in Russia's Kursk region for the first time. According to Biden, the administration is in constant contact with Kyiv, and he is briefed every 4-5 hours on developments in the Kursk region.
- > EU High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy Josep Borrell said that he had discussed the Ukrainian Armed Forces' offensive in the Kursk region with Ukrainian Foreign Minister Dmytro Kuleba and stressed that the EU "fully supports the resistance of the Ukrainian people."
- > Czech Foreign Minister Jan Lipavsky said that Ukraine can defend itself on the territory of the aggressor, as this is allowed by international law.











> The United States may provide Ukraine with long-range JASSM missiles for F-16 fighter jets, Politico reports, citing sources. The decision has not yet been finalized. JASSMs are two-ton

monitoring the situation.

precision air-to-ground cruise missiles designed to destroy bunkers, fortifications, bridges, and air defenses. The range of these missiles is 370 to 980 km, depending on the version. They can significantly increase the power of Ukrainian F-16s. Germany has announced military aid for Ukraine. It includes weapons that will be delivered by the

Finnish Prime Minister Petteri Orpo followed President Alexander Stubb in expressing support for the Ukrainian operation in Russia's Kursk region. He said this at a press conference with the new

Estonian Prime Minister Kristen Michal. Orpo stressed that Ukraine has every right to defend itself.

> The Red Cross is ready to provide humanitarian aid to the Russian territories controlled by Ukraine

as soon as it is requested. The committee is currently in contact with the Ukrainian authorities and is

end of 2024. This became known during an interview with German General Christian Freuding. The main focus of this assistance will be to provide Ukraine with additional air defense systems, additional artillery systems, firearms, drones, tanks, armored vehicles, etc.

Foreign volunteers from the Ukrainian Defense Forces and their family members will be able to obtain Ukrainian citizenship. This was announced by President of Ukraine Volodymyr Zelenskvi.

- > Ukraine can freely use armored vehicles provided by Canada in Russia's territory, the Canadian Ministry of Defense has said. 'Ukrainians know best how to defend their homeland, and we are committed to supporting their potential. Canada does not impose geographical restrictions on the use of the military equipment we provide to Ukraine, 'said Canadian Defense spokesperson Andree-Anne Poulin.
- > Lithuania has handed over a new package of military aid to Ukraine, the Lithuanian Ministry of National Defense has reported. The ministry said that wheeled loaders, trailers, and folding beds were sent to the Armed Forces of Ukraine. In addition, a delegation from the Lithuanian Ministry of Defense visited a drone operator training center in Ukraine and got acquainted with the capabilities of Ukrainian air and ground drones. Japan has ordered equipment for humanitarian demining from Ukrainian manufacturers. The Ukrainian-made equipment will then be transferred to the State **Emergency Service of Ukraine**
- > The head of the Bundestag's defense committee, Marcus Faber, called for an increase in the supply of Leopard 2 tanks to Ukraine and for the supply of Fuchs armored vehicles.
- > The United States does not share intelligence on targets in Russia with Ukraine in order not to be seen as a party facilitating Ukraine's offensive. However, the Ukrainian Armed Forces used American equipment during the Kursk operation.

The United Kingdom cannot allow Ukraine to fire long-range Storm Shadow missiles at targets in Russia because of US opposition. The Times reports. London sent a request to Washington more than a month ago but has not yet received a response. Approval is also needed from France and a third unnamed NATO country. The UK does not blame the US for delaying the process - such decisions 'take time' because the US fears escalation. Washington may wait for the outcome of the Ukrainian Armed Forces' operation in the Kursk region before making such a decision.



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- > Towards Kharkiv, a series of firefights took place in the vicinity of Lyptsi and Vovchansk.
- > Towards Kupiansk, Ukrainian defense forces repelled enemy assaults near Hlushkivka, Kruhliakivka and Andriiivka. The Russian army also attacked in the direction of Lozova.
- In the Lyman direction, the Russian army conducted a series of assaults near Nevske, Makiiivka, Torske, and Dibrova.
- In the Siversk direction, Ukrainian defenders repelled Russian occupiers' assaults near Bilohorivka, Verkhniokamianske, Spirne, and Pereizne.
- > Towards Kramatorsk, Russians attacked in the areas of Hryhorivka and Chasiv Yar.
- Towards Toretsk, Russian forces, supported by aviation, attacked near Bila Hora, Pivnichne, Zalizne, Nelipivka, Niu York, and Toretsk.
- In the Pokrovsk direction, Ukrainian defenders stopped enemy attacks in the areas of fifteen different settlements. The occupiers were most active near Vozdvyzhenka, Novozhelanne, Hrodivka, and in the direction of Zelene Pole. The highest concentration of enemy attacks was recorded near Hrodivka.
- > Towards Kurakhove, Ukrainian forces repelled attacks near Krasnohorivka, Kostiantynivka, Heorhiiivka and Oleksandrivka. In the direction of Vremivka, the enemy attacked in the direction of Kostiantynivka.
- > In the Orikhiv direction, one attack on Ukrainian positions in the area of Mala Tokmachka was registered.
- > The operational situation in the Prydniprovskyi direction remained unchanged. Russian forces conducted three unsuccessful attacks.
- In the Volyn and Polissia direction, no signs of Russian offensive groups were detected.
- > On the border with Chernihiv oblast, the enemy maintains a military presence.
- > The operation in the Kursk oblast is underway, and Ukrainian soldiers are successfully advancing. Russian servicemen continue to surrender, choosing life.
  - > Over the past day, 124 combat clashes took place in the frontline.
  - > The Russians advanced near Pishchane and Stelmakhivka in the Kupiansk direction, in Ivanivka in the Pokrovsk direction, and in Krasnohorivka near Kurakhove Deep State. In the vicinity of Stelmakhivka and Pishchane, Russians are trying to encircle Ukrainian Defense Forces at some positions. According to analysts, north of Pishchane village, the Russian army will try, after the encirclement, to move to the heights to the north for further advances towards Kolesnikivka.
  - The Ukrainian Armed Forces StratCom reports that Ukrainian defenders have taken control of the same amount of Russian territory that they occupied this year. "1000 square kilometers of Russian territory are under the control of the Ukrainian Armed Forces. This is the area of almost 238 towns like Sudzha. And more than 20 towns like Bakhmut," the press service said.
  - > The Ukrainian Armed Forces have taken control of the Kursk region for a long time, and no one is going to leave it Forbes. According to the publication, the withdrawal of Russian troops from other parts of the front may become long-term, if not permanent, which is very necessary for Ukraine.
  - > The Security Service of Ukraine (SSU) press service reports that Russian special services may stage crimes against civilians in the Kursk oblast to blame Ukraine. According to the Security Service of Ukraine, such attempts are futile and will not affect either the offensive actions of the Armed Forces or the opinion of the country's international partners.
  - ➤ Ukrainian military and the SSU counterintelligence officers seized the newest Russian T-80BVM tank near the town of Sudzha. The tank, in absolutely serviceable condition with a full oil tank and full ammunition load, belonged to the Russian airborne forces, who ambushed Ukrainian defenders.
  - > Over the past day, 134 combat clashes took place in the frontline. The enemy was most active in the Pokrovsk direction.
  - > At night, mobile firing groups of the Ukrainian Defense Forces, aviation, anti-aircraft missile units, and airborne electronic warfare systems of the Air Force shot down 30 of the 38 Shaheds.
  - Russia has withdrawn some units from southern Ukraine due to the operation in the Kursk region of the Russian Federation. Dmytro Lykhovii, spokesman for the Tavria operational-strategic group, tells Politico that the Russian Federation has redeployed some of its units from Zaporizhzhia and Kherson oblasts in southern Ukraine. It is not known exactly how many Russian troops were redeployed. Lykhovii noted that it was a "relatively small" number of units.
  - > The operation in the Kursk oblast prevents Russia from moving additional units to the Donetsk oblast and complicates its military logistics. This was stated by Ukrainian Foreign Ministry spokesman Heorhii Tykhyi. "The Armed Forces of Ukraine is a civilized European military force that fully complies with the laws and customs of warfare and international humanitarian law. The Ukrainian Armed Forces are targeting only military facilities and military personnel," he emphasized.
  - The General Staff of Ukraine reports that restrictions on the movement of all categories of citizens have been imposed in the 20-kilometer border zone in Sumy oblast. This is due to an increase in the intensity of hostilities, the intensification of the activities of sabotage and reconnaissance groups, enemy special operations forces, and in order to save the lives of civilians and soldiers.
  - > Over the past day, a total of 134 combat clashes took place in the frontline.
  - > Air defense forces destroyed 17 attack UAVs. At night, the Russians attacked with 2 X-59/69 guided missiles and 23 Shahed drones.
  - At night, explosions were heard in the Nizhny Novgorod oblast of Russia near the Savasleyka military air base Russian media. Local residents report about 10 arrivals. The governor of the region only confirmed that the Kulebak region is under attack by UAVs and "all measures are being taken to minimize the consequences." It is known that a branch of the 4th State Center for Aviation Personnel Training and Military Testing of the Russian Defense Ministry is stationed at this air base.

## Losses of the Russian army from 11.08.2024 to 17.06.2024

11.00.2024 to 17.00.2024	
Liquidated personnel	7,350
Tanks	58
IFVs	112
Artillery systems / MLRS	328/15
Anti-aircraft warfare systems	4
Aircraft / helicopters	1/0
UAVs	280
Ships/boats	0
Vehicles & fuel tanks	402
Special equipment	45





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> The General Staff of the Armed Forces of Ukraine reports that Ukrainian defense forces destroyed an enemy Su-34. At night, in the Kursk oblast (Russia), during the performance of a combat mission, the forces and means of the anti-aircraft missile troops of the Ukrainian Air Force destroyed a Russian Su-34 fighter-bomber.

> Lieutenant General Alexander Lapin, who failed in the defense of Kharkiv oblast, is in charge of the defense of Kursk - Russian media Lapin has already been suspended from the command of the Center group of Russian troops and the Central Military District. But instead of being punished, he was sent to guard the border with another unit. Now, captured conscripts, z-warlords, and other Russians consider him responsible for the loss of Kursk oblast.

> Ukrainian soldiers destroyed a rare Russian Kasta radar in Zaporizhzhia oblast. The cost of such a system starts at \$60 million. In fact, this radar station was the "eyes" of the Russian air defense system that controlled Ukrainian airspace.

> The General Staff of the Armed Forces of Ukraine confirmed the defeat of four Russian airfields on the night of August 14. In particular, the Khalino, Savasleyka, Borisoglebsk, and Baltimore airfields, where Su-34, Su-35, and other enemy aircraft are based, were hit. The strike was aimed at compositions of fuel and lubricants and aviation weapons depots.

> Over the past day, a total of 165 combat clashes took place in the frontline. At night, air defense destroyed 29 attack drones.

> According to Sky News, the Ukrainian Armed Forces used British Challenger 2 tanks in an offensive in Kursk oblast. The British Ministry of Defense refused to comment on the details of the operation. The Ukrainian Armed Forces also did not comment. However, the UK has confirmed that Ukraine can freely use British weapons in Russia in accordance with government policy.

> Ukraine has established a military commandant's office in Kursk oblast, headed by General Moskaliov. This was announced by Oleksandr Syrskyi, head of the Ukrainian Armed Forces. Ukrainian troops have already advanced 35 km deep into Russia and occupied 1150 km². Ukraine has 82 settlements under its control.

> The enemy is rapidly approaching the outskirts of Pokrovsk in Donetsk oblast – the city is about 10 km away. This was stated by Serhii Dobriak, head of the RMA.. Evacuation is underway in the community, and residents are urged not to delay.

> According to British intelligence. Russia has increased the production of weapons for the war but postponed foreign contracts. "Russian arms manufacturers are forced to increase production to support the war in Ukraine. Some foreign sales contracts with key international partners have been postponed due to the need to supply Russian forces," the report says.

> A single real-time UAV control center will be created in Ukraine. "We are working on the integration of ground and air robotic and unmanned systems into a single control center for all drones on the battlefield in real-time," This was said by Defense Minister Rustem Umerov at a meeting with his Lithuanian counterpart Laurinas Kasčiūnas.

> Over the past day, 132 combat clashes took place in the frontline.

> Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of Ukraine Syrskyi reported to the President on the developments at the front: dozens of Russian assaults took place in the Toretsk and Pokrovsk direction over the day, but the situation is under control. As for the operation in Kursk oblast, the positions of Ukrainian forces are being strengthened and the stabilized area is expanding. There is another replenishment of the exchange fund.

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### Massive attacks per week

- > Attack on the night of August 11: Russians attacked Ukraine with four KN-23 ballistic missiles and 57 Shahed attack drones. Air defense forces destroyed 53 enemy drones.
- Attack on the night of August 13: During the night, Russia attacked Ukraine with two Iskander-M/KN-23 ballistic missiles and 38 Shahed attack drones. Air defense destroyed 30 Russian drones over eight oblasts. In the Sumy oblast, one person was injured as a result of a missile attack. In Chernihiv oblast, civil infrastructure was damaged.
- Attack on the night of August 14: Air defense forces destroyed 17 Shahed attack drones. The Russian occupiers launched two Kh-59/69 guided air missiles and 23 drones over Ukraine. Air defense forces worked in 8 oblasts.
- Attack on the night of August 15: Air defense destroyed 29 Shahed attack drones over Ukraine. Russians used three Kh-59 guided missiles and 29 drones in the attack.
- Attack on the night of August 16: Air defense destroyed 5 Russian drones over Ukraine three Shahed and two unspecified UAVs. Russia also attacked with three Iskander-M ballistic missiles. Air defense forces worked in 5 oblasts.
- Attack on the night of August 17: Air defenses shot down all 14 Shahed drones in six oblasts. Russians hit Sumy with an "Iskander-K" cruise missile, it is known that one person was injured.

### Sumy oblast

On August 13, the Russian army launched a missile and air strike on the infrastructure facilities of the city of Sumy. One person was injured, part of the population of Sumy was left without electricity and gas supply. On August 15, 4 Russian drones of various types were shot down over Sumy oblast at night.

During the week, the communities of Sumy, Yunakivka, Myropillia, Krasnopillia, Velyka Pysarivka, Nova Sloboda, Hlukhiv, Berezivka, Esman, Khotyn, Bilopillia, Putyvl, Seredyna-Buda, Vorozhba, Mykolaiv, Svesa, Shalyhyne, Znob-Novhorod, Richky, Druzhba came under fire.

### **Dnipropetrovsk oblast**

During the week, Russians shelled the Nikopol district every day.

On August 13, the Russians bombarded the Nikopol region with the Grad multiple rocket systems, heavy artillery, and kamikaze drones. A 33-year-old man died. More than five private houses, an economic structure, and a private enterprise were damaged in the Chervonohryhorivsa community as a result of the shelling. Also, on this day, Russian troops shelled one of the communities of Kryvyi Rih district with artillery.

On August 15, a 21-year-old man was injured as a result of an attack on Pavlohrad. The Nikopol district was also shelled with heavy artillery and kamikaze drones, as a result of which infrastructure, private and transport enterprises, an agricultural company, and a service station were damaged.

### Kharkiv and the oblast

On August 12, as a result of the shelling of Bohodukhiv, a woman was injured, and 4 children aged from a few months to 11 years old were diagnosed with an acute reaction to stress. On August 14, a man and a woman, medics from the "Hospitaliers" medical battalion, were killed as a result of an FPV drone hitting a vehicle in the area of Bilyi Kolodiaz. Three civilians who were traveling in another car were also wounded. On August 15, as a result of shelling of a civilian enterprise in the village of Prykolotne, 6 people were injured. 45-year-old and 58-year-old men died. On the same day, 6 people, including one child, were injured as a result of the shelling of the village Zolochiv. A preschool education institution, a cultural center and other civilian objects were damaged. On August 16, Russian troops shelled the front-line village of Kozacha Lopan, one person was killed.

The dead and injured as a result of shelling were recorded in such settlements as Vovchansk, Husarivka, Oleksandrivka, Zolochiv, Bogodukhiv, Moskalenky, Zabrody, Prykolotne. Shelling and destruction also took place in the areas of the settlements of Kupiansk, Kupiansk-Vuzlovyi, Kozacha Lopan, Vidrodzhenivske, Ivashky, Kindrashivka, Pisky-Radkivski, Osynovo, Kruhlyakivka, Bilyi Kolodiaz, Tymofiivka, Borova, Odnorobivka.

### Zaporizhzhia oblast

On August 14, two men and two women were wounded as a result of Russian artillery shelling in Stepnohirsk. In addition, as a result of shelling on the territory of the region on August 14, 13 fires broke out: civilian buildings burned, as well as dry grass in the open area. In the village of Preobrazhenka of the Polohy district, 15 houses and other structures caught fire as a result of the attacks of the Russian army. The rescuers got one person out from under the rubble.

The following settlements of the region were under fire: Lobkove, Novoandriivka, Chervonodniprovka, Huliaipole, Novodanylivka, Robotyne, Mala Tokmachka, Malynivka, Poltavka, Stepnohirsk, Orikhiv, Bilohiria, Levadne, Prymorske, Malyshivka, Chervona Krynytsia, Preobrazhenka, Zaliznychne, Omelnyk.

### Kyiv oblast

On the night of August 11, as a result of an enemy missile attack, civilians were killed: a man and a child. At night, fragments of a rocket fell on private residential buildings in Brovary district. Also, three people were seriously injured, including a 13-year-old child.

### **Donetsk oblast**

On August 11, Russians wounded 10 residents of the oblast. On August 12, Russians shelled Ukrainsk. As a result, two people died, one person was injured. On the same day, a 35-year-old woman was killed and a 40-year-old man was wounded in Kostiantynivka. Another man was killed in Toretsk. On August 13, one person died in Zhuravka, and on August 14, two people died in Zoria and Maksymilianivka. On August 15, Russians shelled the village of Verkhniokamianske with artillery — a man and a woman were killed. A 37-year-old man died in Mykolaivka. On August 16, the Russians killed 2 residents of Donetsk oblast: in Toretsk and Chasiv Yar.

The following settlements in the oblast were shelled and damaged:

- > In the Volnovakha district: Bohoiavlenka, Novoukrayinka.
- ➤ In the Pokrovsk district: Kurakhove, Kurakhivka, Kostiantynivka, Ukrainsk, Katerynivka, Malynivka, Maksymilianivka, Hrodivka; the outskirts of Ocheretyne, Maryinka, Myrnohrad, Dobropillia, Selydove and Hrodivka communities.
- ➤ In the Kramatorsk district: Kramatorsk, Kostiantynivka, Torske, Mykolaivka, Brusivka, Zarichne, Viroliubivka, Zoria; the outskirts of the Lyman community.
- ➤ In the Bakhmut district: New York, Siversk, Toretsk, Shcherbynivka, Serebrianka, Verkhniokamianske; Chasiv Yar community.

### Chernihiv oblast

During the week, Russians shelled three border communities: Novhorod-Siverskyi, Semenivka, Snovsk with mortars, barrel artillery, drones and FPV drones.

In particular, on the night of August 13, Russian attack UAVs attacked energy facilities in the region. On the night of August 14, an infrastructure facility in the Nizhyn district was attacked by "Shahed" type drones. On August 15, the Russians shelled the village of Vorobivka of the Novhorod-Siverskyi community with barrel artillery, as a result of which six private houses were damaged.

### Kherson and the oblast

On August 11, Russians shelled 17 settlements, as a result of which one person died, 11 were injured. In Antonivka, the Russian army destroyed a church with a rocket.

On August 12, Russian troops dropped explosives from a drone on a car driving in the Bilozerka community, as a result of which two people were injured. In Kherson, one person was killed and two others were injured due to shelling. In total, 17 people were injured that day, including two children.

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On August 14, Russian troops attacked Kherson residents with drones. Three men were injured, one of whom died. Russians also dropped explosives from a drone on rescuers in Stanislav, four of whom received minor injuries. A 69-year-old woman was injured in Chervonyi Maiak as a result of a drone attack. On August 15, the Russian army attacked 25 settlements. There are dead and wounded in Tokarivka,

Kozatske, Havrylivka.

On August 16, the Russians attacked Antonivka twice and destroyed the first "green school" in Ukraine. An ambulance was hit by a drone in Stanislav. In Beryslav, a 58-year-old man was injured due to the dropping of explosives from a drone.

During the week, the Russians shelled the following settlements in the region: Antonivka, Sadove, Chornobaivka, Bilozerka, Kizomys, Pryozerne, Veletenske, Stanislav, Shyroka Balka, Tomyna Balka, Zolota Balka, Sofiivka, Poniativka, Beryslav, Tomaryne, Dudchany, Mykhailivka, Kozatske, Dniprovske, Prydniprovske, Zymivnyk, Daryivka, Muzykivka, Burhunka, Chervonyi Mayak, Krupytsia, Odradokamianka, Shliahove, Vesele, Chereshenki, Taras Shevchenko, Soniachne, Zmiivka, Mykilske, Blahodatne, Havrylivka, Kachkarivka, Tokarivka, Myroliubivka, Novokairy, Olhivka, Oleksandrivka, Zamozhne, Zorivka, Inhulets, Romashkove, Inzhenerne, Pervomaiske, Novovorontsovka, Kherson.

### Odesa oblast

On August 14, the Russians attacked port infrastructure in Odesa with a ballistic missile. Three people were injured, eight houses were damaged.

### Mykolaiv oblast

On August 11, Russians attacked Mykolaiv and Voznesensk districts with various types of weapons. In the Mykolaiv district, the communities of Kutsurub and Ochakiv were shelled by FPV drones and artillery. The Voznesensk district was hit by ballistics, probably with a cluster munition of the "Iskander-M" type. On August 16, as a result of one of the attacks by FPV drones on the Kutsurub community, three policemen were injured.

# **Kharkiv oblast** Zaporizhzhia oblast



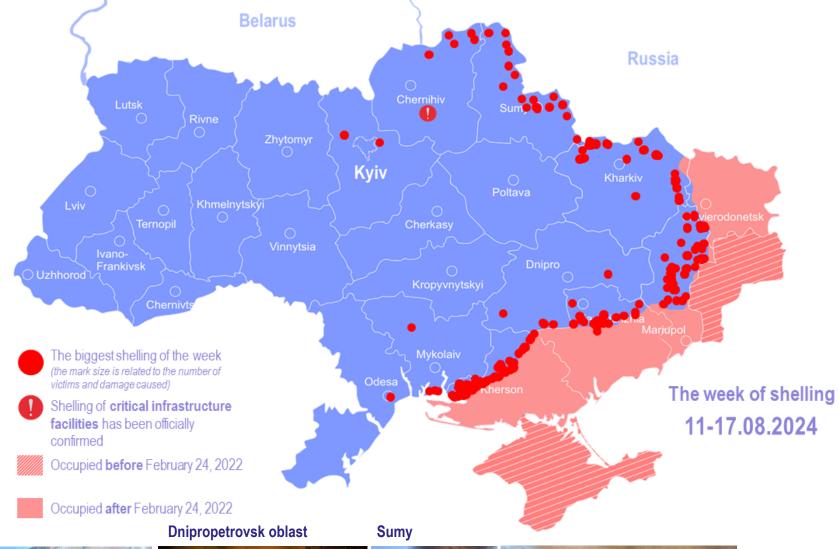
















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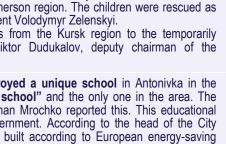
- The humanitarian corridor in the Sumy region was suspended due to shelling. However, to return from the occupation. Ukrainians can use a checkpoint in the Volyn region. This is stated on the Ministry of Reintegration's website for the Temporarily Occupied Territories of Ukraine. Until recently, Ukrainians from the temporarily occupied territories returned to the territory controlled by Ukraine through the humanitarian corridor Kolotylivka - Pokrovka, located in the Sumy region. But now it is not working due to Russia's shelling.
- > In Kherson region, the list of settlements where mandatory evacuation has been announced has been expanded to 50 due to the increase in civilian casualties in the region. This was reported by the head of the Kherson Regional Military Administration Oleksandr Prokudin.
- The United Nations office will be opened soon in Kherson. This was announced by Denise Brown, the UN Resident Coordinator in Ukraine and Humanitarian Coordinator. The report emphasized that the UN "does not forget" about the war in Ukraine, and for this reason, the Organization is physically present in different places.
- By August 13, 2,235 children live in the Donetsk region and need to be evacuated. This was reported by Serhii Honcharov, director of the civil protection planning department of the Donetsk Regional State Administration. Currently, evacuation from 20 settlements of the Kramatorsk and Pokrovsk districts is in progress. Mr. Honcharov said that since the announcement of the forced evacuation, as many as 3,666 children with their parents or legal representatives had been taken out of the settlements of the Donetsk region. According to him, about 60,000 civilians remain in the Donetsk region, where active hostilities are taking place.
- Russia is sending humanitarian aid from the temporarily occupied territories of Ukraine to the Kursk region. This was reported by the National Resistance Center of Ukraine. It is noted that the Russians began sending humanitarian aid to the Kursk region, intended for residents of the Ukrainian temporarily occupied territories.
- > Six children have been returned from the temporarily occupied territories of the Zaporizhzhia and Kherson regions to the Ukraine-controlled territory. The Ukrainian Parliament Commissioner for Human Rights Dmytro Lubinets reported this. According to the parents, their children were forced to attend Russian schools and celebrate Russian holidays in the occupied territories and were pressured to obtain Russian documents.
- > The Russian occupiers did not allow experts from the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) to visit the cooling tower at the seized Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Plant, where a fire broke out the day before. This was announced by the Deputy Minister of Energy, Mykola Kolisnyk. According to him, the IAEA representatives managed to inspect the cooling tower and conduct radiation monitoring, but the experts did not have access to the inside of the tower. As a reminder, on August 11, the Russians started a fire on the territory of the temporarily occupied Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Plant.
- Since the beginning of 2024, Russians have exported about half of a million tons of grain from the temporarily occupied territories of the Zaporizhzhia region and plan to steal another 200 thousand tons, the head of the Zaporizhzhia Regional Military Administration Ivan Fedorov said. He noted that the occupiers take grain and industrial crops from the temporarily occupied territories of the region to Crimea and the Russian Federation, and then export them. According to him, at the beginning of the full-scale war, 1.8 million hectares of arable land were cultivated in the Zaporizhzhia region. Currently, 1.4 million hectares (80%) of them are under occupation or in the area of active hostilities.











> Belarus intends to integrate its industry with enterprises in the temporarily occupied territories (TOT), reports the National Resistance Center of Ukraine. Belarus is increasing the supply of agricultural machinery, as well as other products, to the TOT. At the same time, Belarus imports light industry goods from the territories. Recently, the occupation administration of Zaporizhzhia and the Belarusian delegation signed several agreements to expand trade cooperation. Thus, Lukashenko's regime is deliberately violating international law and trading with the occupied territories.

> The Russian militants are using 40 to 50 guided bombs per day in the border communities of the Sumy region. According to Volodymyr Artiukh, head of the Sumy Regional Military Administration, the main characteristic of the situation in the Sumy region in recent days is air attacks.

> More than 197,000 people have been evacuated from the frontline areas of the Donetsk region since August 2022 and up to August 2024 as part of the mandatory evacuation. This was reported by the media service of the Ministry of Reintegration. Among the evacuees are more than 24,000 children and about 7,400 people with disabilities. Departures are made by daily trains from

Pokrovsk to Dnipro, Lviv, and the Rivne region.

> The Russian invaders in the temporarily occupied territories of Ukraine demand that business companies register all their employees with their military commissariats. This was reported by the National Resistance Center of Ukraine. According to the Russian occupiers' demands, business owners in the temporarily occupied territories need to submit lists of employees without Russian passports and, accordingly, those who are not registered for military service. The Center emphasizes that there is no official mobilization in the Russian Federation, but the Russians are already recruiting labor for the war against Ukraine.

> There are currently about 3,000 civilians in the city of **Toretsk**, the Donetsk region. Evacuation from the town is slow. This was stated by Vadym Filashkin, the head of the Donetsk Military Administration. Approximately 10-15 people leave the city every day.

> The Ukrainian environment has suffered losses of more than \$60 billion due to Russia's full-scale aggression. So far, more than 5.5 thousand Russian crimes against Ukraine's environment have been recorded. Ruslan Strilets, Minister of Environmental Protection, stated this. He also emphasized that the consequences of environmental crimes extend to other countries, including Romania and Moldova. As an example, the Minister of Environmental Protection cited a fire in one of the ports of the Odesa region, the smoke from which polluted the air in Moldova.

> Another eight children were returned to the Ukraine-controlled territory; five children from Russia and three from the temporarily occupied part of the Kherson region. The children were rescued as part of the Bring Kids Back UA plan initiated by President Volodymyr Zelenskyi.

> Russians are planning to transfer displaced persons from the Kursk region to the temporarily occupied territories of the Zaporizhzhia region. Viktor Dudukalov, deputy chairman of the Berdvansk District Council, said this.

> On Friday, August 16, the Russian occupiers destroyed a unique school in Antonivka in the Kherson region. It was Ukraine's first "eco-friendly school" and the only one in the area. The head of the Kherson City Military Administration Roman Mrochko reported this. This educational institution was built with the help of the Finnish government. According to the head of the City Military Administration, the "eco-friendly school" was built according to European energy-saving principles.

