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24.10

- German Chancellor **Olaf Scholz** met with Ukrainian Prime Minister Shmyhal in Berlin. He called to invest in the post-war reconstruction of Ukraine: *"Whoever invests in the reconstruction of Ukraine today, invests in a future EU member state"*.
- According to the **Iranian Foreign Minister**, Iran is ready to investigate the supply of drones to Russia together with Ukraine and promises "not to remain indifferent" if the use of their drones by Russia is confirmed.

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- **German President** Frank-Walter Steinmeier arrived in Kyiv for a visit. At a briefing in Kyiv, he announced the transfer of two additional MARS multiple-launch rocket systems and four Panzerhaubitze 2000 howitzers to Ukraine. Addressing Zelenskyi, the German president also said: *"I share this opinion: there will be no true peace without justice, and an unjust peace can only cause a new war."*
- Two American officials told Reuters that **the USA** is considering the possibility of sending old Hawk **anti-aircraft warfare** to Ukraine.
- **Italian Prime Minister** Giorgia Meloni said that Rome will not give in to Putin's energy blackmail and remain a partner of the brave people of Ukraine who resist Russian aggression. *"This is the best way to defend our national interests,"* said Meloni. Later, during a speech in the Senate, she emphasized that she supports the continuation of military aid to Ukraine as the only condition for the possible achievement of peace between Kyiv and Moscow.
- Ukraine, Moldova and Georgia were invited to participate in the summit of foreign ministers of NATO countries, which will be held on November 29 and 30 in Bucharest.
- Newly appointed **British Prime Minister** Rishi Sunak confirmed his intention to meet with Zelenskyi in the near future. The British Prime Minister also assured that Britain's support for Ukraine will remain unchanged.

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- The **Senate of Poland** adopted a resolution recognizing the regime in Russia as a terrorist state.
- **Australia** will provide Ukraine with 30 Bushmaster armored personnel carriers and send up to 70 instructors in Great Britain to train Ukrainian militaries.
- **Lithuanian** Chief of Defence Rupšys said that at the next meeting of the State Defense Council of the country, he will propose not to hand over PzH 2000 self-propelled howitzers and NASAMS anti-aircraft systems to Ukraine at the expense of the country's own defense capabilities. *"I need to have tools. We can't perform the task without the capacities, but these capacities that we have, have now reached a point where we can't off-load anymore. We need to understand that we also have NATO commitments"*, Rupšys said.

27.10

- **Secretary General of NATO** Jens Stoltenberg reports a new aid package from **Spain** will soon arrive in Ukraine along with four launchers of the Hawk air defense system.
- **US Secretary of Defence** Lloyd Austin said that the first NASAMS air defense systems will be transferred to Ukraine in early November.
- According to the Telegraph, former British Prime Minister **Boris Johnson** is going to promote the "Marshall Plan" for Ukraine on the international stage. It is reported that Johnson has opened an office in Westminster, where he is planning to establish a fund to support Ukraine.
- **Lithuanian Defense Minister** Arvydas Anusauskas announced the shipment of 7 Toyota Land Cruiser 200 armored SUVs and other equipment to Ukraine.

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- **The Pentagon** announced a new \$275 million military aid package for Ukraine. The new package will include ammunition for HIMARS systems, high-precision artillery shells, remote mine systems, HMMWV armored vehicles and small arms ammunition. The aid package will also include non-Starlink military satellite communications equipment.
- **Canada's Prime Minister** Justin Trudeau announced the start of the issuance of government-backed Ukraine Sovereignty Bonds, which are aimed at supporting the financing of aid to Ukraine in the war with Russia.
- In Prague, a few thousand people came out for an anti-government protest, demanding early elections, the conclusion of gas contracts with Russia, withdrawal from NATO, the European Union, the United Nations and the World Health Organization, as well as to stop "the planned dissolution of the nation by Ukrainian refugees".

29.10

- 9 European countries left the **Alliance of Independent Press Councils of Europe** as a sign of support for Ukraine. The main reason was that it did not exclude the representatives of Russia from the Alliance. Armenia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Georgia, Ireland, Moldova, Norway and Sweden are the countries that left.



- ✓ The Russian army is trying to hold the temporarily occupied territories and concentrating its efforts on restraining the actions of the Defense Forces in certain directions. Simultaneously, the Russian military is not abandoning its attempts to conduct offensive actions towards Bakhmut and Avdiivka. Russians shell the positions of Ukrainian troops, carry out fortification of their positions in certain areas and conduct aerial reconnaissance. Violating rules of the International humanitarian law, laws and customs of war, the Russian army continues to strike critical infrastructure and civilian homes.
- ✓ As of October 29, the Russians have lost more than 70,000 soldiers. To avoid panic among the personnel, the command of Russian troops tries by all means to hide the actual death toll of their soldiers.
- ✓ Towards Volyn and Siversk, the situation did not undergo significant changes. The Republic of Belarus continues to support the armed aggression of the Russian Federation against Ukraine. There is a continuous threat of launching missile and air strikes, including those with UAVs from the territory of the Republic of Belarus.

24.10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Towards Kreminna and Svatove in the Luhansk region, the Armed Forces of Ukraine are advancing. According to the Institute for the Study of War report, fierce fighting continues towards Siversk, Soledar, Bakhmut, Avdiivka, and Marinka in the Donetsk Region. ➤ In addition, according to the US-based Institute for the Study of War, in total, 273 Iranian-provided Shahed-136 drones have been shot down by Ukrainian forces since Russia started using them on September 13. It is known that in Belarus Iranian instructors have assisted Russian forces in coordinating previous strikes by Shahed-136 drones in the Kyiv Region, northern and western regions of Ukraine. ➤ The AFU has liberated more than 90 settlements in the Kherson Region. Stabilization measures are taking place in the liberated territories. In the de-occupied territories live about 12,000 people. Nowadays, Ukrainian troops are fighting with Russians for one of the strategic roads, reports Operational Command "South". ➤ The AFU have liberated the settlements of Karmazynivka, M'iasozharivka, and Nevske in the Luhansk Region, as well as Novosadove in the Donetsk Region. ➤ Ukrainians pushed back Russians for 2 km on the eastern outskirts of Bakhmut. Russians were forced out of the asphalt plant. It took Wagner's group 2 months of struggle to take this 2 km and they lost it in 48 hours.
25.10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Towards Beryslav, Kherson Region, fire damage to the buildup of weapons and military equipment, and ammunition warehouses has been confirmed. Personal losses are being clarified. ➤ Towards Svatove, up to 10 Russian soldiers were killed and about 5 trucks with ammunition were also destroyed. ➤ Towards Holubivka, Luhansk Region, on October 24-25, about 100 wounded Russian soldiers were brought to the city hospital.
26.10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ According to Oleh Syniehubov, the Head of the Regional Military Administration: "In the Kharkiv Oblast, 28 more settlements remain occupied by the Russian Federation. These are settlements of the Kupiansk district, where are active hostilities now. However, both the weather and the enemy make their corrections – no one voluntarily leaves Ukrainian territory, so our soldiers have to win back every meter in very tough battles". He pointed out it on the air of the TV marathon. ➤ According to the Deputy Minister of Defense Hanna Maliar, in the Kherson Region, the AFU conducts active defense and carries out some offensive actions. "Battles are going on. The General Staff itself positions it as defensive actions, within the framework of which some offensive actions are carried out. In the last week, the intensity of developments on the front has somewhat decreased, and we are actually in active defense."
27.10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ According to Oleksii Hromov, deputy chief of the Main Operational Department of the General Staff of the Armed Forces of Ukraine, "The Russians may again resort to an attack on Kyiv, as they feel that they cannot break through the front either in the southern or eastern direction." ➤ Towards the Zaporizhzhia Region, the AFU destroyed 8 units of weapons and military equipment of different types and wounded up to 120 soldiers. In the temporarily occupied territory of the Kherson region, the transportation of about 100 wounded soldiers to medical facilities was noted. ➤ Towards the Kherson Region, 23 "Kadyrovets" (fighters from the units of the head of the Chechen Republic Ramzan Kadyrov) were killed, and another 58 were injured, as a result of the shelling, by Ukrainian defenders. Such data was provided by the head of Chechnya, Ramzan Kadyrov in his Telegram channel.
28.10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The Russian mass media unanimously announced the completion of partial mobilization. The Ukrainian side assumes that the mobilization measures in Russia will continue in the future, but unofficially. The Russian side admitted that at the beginning of the official mobilization of the army, there were problems with providing mobilized military personnel. ➤ In Beryslav, Kherson Region, Russian military personnel massively change into civilian clothes and move into private residences. ➤ Towards Maiorsk, about 300 Russian soldiers who were preparing for another attack were killed the day before, as a result of point strikes by units of the Defense Forces of Ukraine. About 60 more lightly wounded were taken the next day to medical facilities in the city of Horlivka.
29.10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ In the morning, explosions occurred in the temporarily occupied Crimea. According to preliminary data, the flagship of the Black Sea Fleet of the Russian Federation, the ship "Admiral Makarov", caught fire. The Ukrainian side has not yet commented on the incident. ➤ On the same day, another exchange of prisoners took place between the Ukrainian and Russian sides. Another 52 Ukrainians were returned from Russian captivity. ➤ According to Cherevatyi, the spokesman of the Eastern Group of Forces, the road "Svatove-Kreminna" in the Luhansk Oblast is under full fire control of the Ukrainian military. "Combat work continues there, which will be discussed later," he noted.

Losses of the Russian army from 24.10.2022 to 30.10.2022	
Liquidated personnel	3730
Tanks	88
IFVs	169
Artillery systems / MLRS	56/9
Anti-aircraft warfare systems	8
Aircraft / helicopters	4/7
UAVs	51
Vehicles & fuel tanks	81
Special equipment	6

Source: DeepState

Military positions



LIBERATED SETTLEMENTS IN THE PERIOD FROM 23.10.2022 TO 30.10.2022

- Luhansk region**
Ukrainian forces liberated Karmazynivka, Miasozharivka, Nevske
- Donetsk region**
Novosadove
- Kharkiv region**
Petropavlivka

- the settlements liberated by the Armed Forces of Ukraine
- liberated less than 2 weeks ago
- liberated
- territory occupied by Russians
- territory of Crimea and territory occupied in 2014-2015

✓ During the week Russians carried out **26 missile** and **128 air strikes**, made more than **516 attacks from MLRS**.

Kharkiv and Kharkiv Oblast

During the week, the enemy shelled Kupyansk (three wounded on October 28), Chuhuiv, Kharkiv, Bohodukhiv, and Iziom districts of the region with **barrel and rocket artillery**, as well as tanks and mortars. Administrative buildings and residential houses were damaged, there were no casualties. In the Kharkiv district near Kozacha Lopan, a 71-year-old woman who was herding goats exploded on a mine. She was hospitalized with injuries.

In the Izyum district, a car of pyrotechnics of the State Emergency Service **exploded on an anti-tank mine** - 1 killed, 6 wounded, 5 in extremely serious condition. On October 30 in **Kupyansk** a civilian industrial facility was damaged and a large-scale fire broke out as a result of shelling.

Mykolaiv and Mykolaiv region

Russians continue shelling the rear communities of the Mykolaiv district. Solar panels, infrastructure facilities, and power lines were damaged. A kindergarten was hit in the Bashtanka district. A residential building was damaged and outbuildings were destroyed. The shelling of the territory and settlements of the Berezhnevata community located on the contact line continues. On the night of October 27-28, **Mykolaiv** was shelled from the S-300 anti-aircraft missile system. One person was injured. A 3-story administrative building was destroyed, and a high-rise building and a bakery were damaged.

Donetsk and Donetsk region

Russians continue shelling the settlements on the frontline.

Towards **Donetsk direction**, the Maryinka community suffers the most from shelling. Attacks were registered in Kostyantynivka, Yelyzavetivka, Maryinka, Krasnohorivka, Maksymilianivka, as well as Avdiivka and Pervomaysk of Ocheretyanska community.

Towards **Horlivka direction**, Toretsk, Soledar, Svitlodarsk, Chasovoyarsk and Bakhmut communities are under fire. In the Soledar community, there were sporadic attacks near Rozdolivka, Yakovlivka and Bakhmutske.

In the **Lysychansk direction**, massive shelling of the Lyman community continues - Torske and Zarichne are affected again. Kramatorsk was also hit - non-residential buildings and a former enterprise were damaged. According to preliminary information, there were no casualties, critical infrastructure was not damaged.

Dnipro and Dnipropetrovsk region

Russians continue shelling the Dnipropetrovsk region, thereby terrorizing the population. Nikopol, Marhanets, Myrivska, Chervonohryhorivska communities were shelled. There were no casualties. Houses, cars, food enterprise, water supply system, power lines were damaged.

In **Nikopol**, a dozen multi-story and private houses, several shops, a furniture factory, a hotel, a bus stop, a gas pipeline and power lines were damaged by Grad shelling. One wounded person was reported (during the shelling on October 28). A Russian missile hit a gas station in **Dnipro** on October 25, killing 2 people, including a 25-year-old pregnant woman. Four people were wounded.

Zaporizhzhya and Zaporizhzhya region

Zaporizhzhya and the region suffer from shelling. Vasylivskiy and Pologivskiy districts suffer the most. There are reports of the destruction of houses (apartments) of citizens and infrastructure facilities.

In Orikhiv, a multi-storey building in the city center and private houses around burned down after the MLRS shelling. Two dead and one wounded were reported in Preobrazhenka village. On the night of October 27 Zaporizhzhya was also hit. According to preliminary information, the strikes were inflicted by three shells of multiple rocket launchers "Smerch". The infrastructure was damaged, windows in **10 apartment buildings** and educational institutions were blown out. Roofs, doors, and windows were destroyed in more than ten private houses.

Most of **Enerhodar** was left without electricity due to Russian shelling of the industrial zone on October 30. According to preliminary information, one of the substations was hit. The city continues to suffer from artillery fire.

In total, during the week, the police received **175 reports of destruction of houses** (apartments) and infrastructure facilities in the region.

Other regions

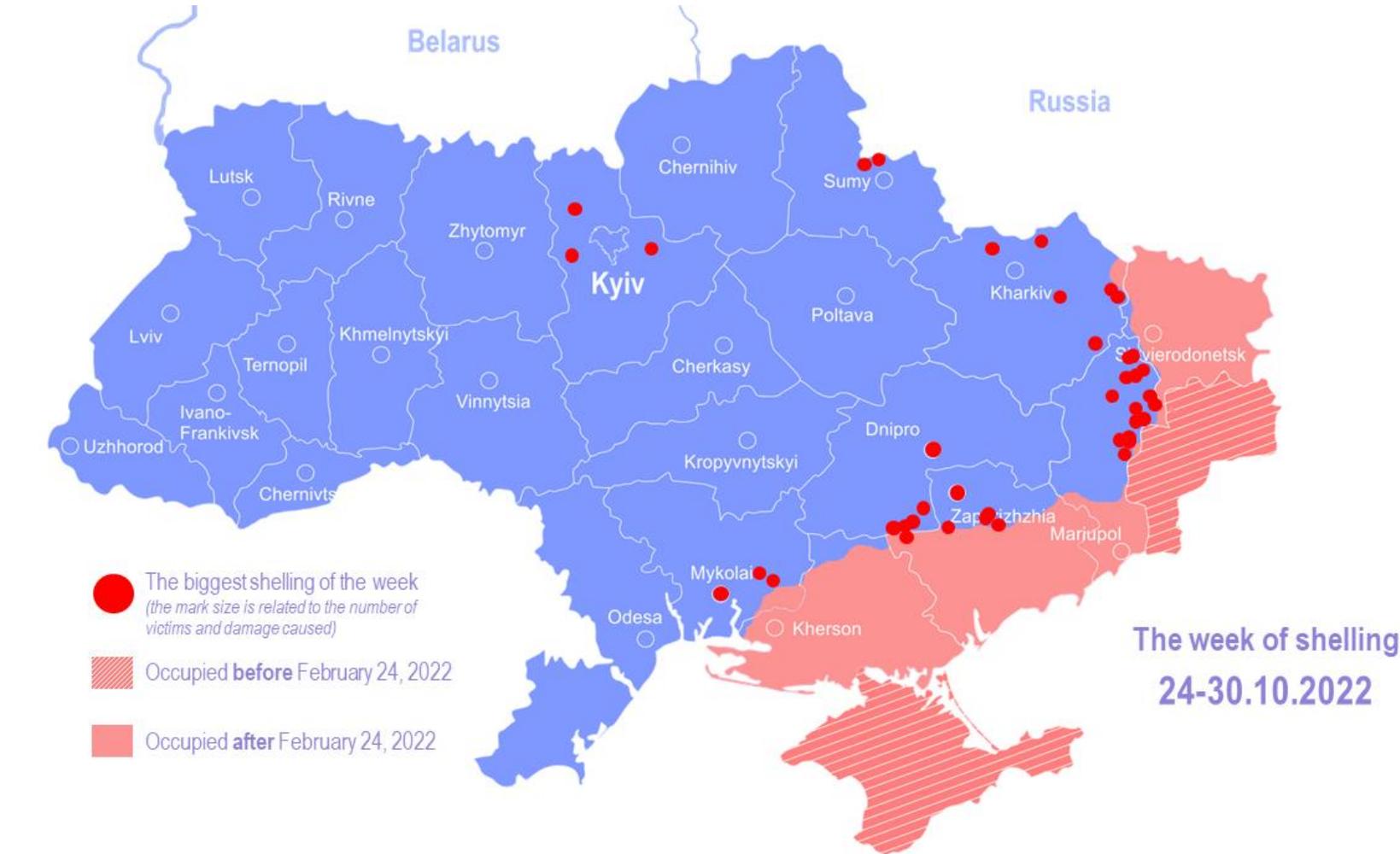
At least **six drone attacks** were recorded in **Kyiv region**, infrastructure facilities were damaged.

Also on October 27, Russians shelled Khotyn and Bilopil communities in Sumy region. There were no casualties and injuries.

Shelling of the Zaporizhzhia region



Attack on a gas station in Dnipro



Attack on critical infrastructure object in Kyiv

Humanitarian crisis

24.10

- On Monday, temporary power blackouts were introduced in Kyiv and in the south of Ukraine to repair the power supply equipment damaged by Russian shelling.

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- The government will activate the mechanism of attracting the unemployed to the country's "Recovery Army" through their participation in socially useful works. Because of the war, a fairly high level of unemployment is expected in the country - about 30% at the end of the year. The state will pay for the work of the "Army" at the level of the minimum wage, which since October is UAH 6,700 (~\$181). The following works are envisaged: clearing highways from the rubble, fortification of dams, repair and restoration work at social sphere facilities, support work for the Armed Forces.
- Deputy Prime Minister for Reintegration of Temporarily Occupied Territories Iryna Vereshchuk called on Ukrainians who have gone abroad since the beginning of the full-scale war, if possible, not to return to Ukraine in the winter due to the danger of shelling and overloading of critical infrastructure.
- According to the government's forecasts, in 2023 the national debt will reach 106% of the country's GDP. The debt can slow down the growth of the Ukrainian economy by 0.84% per year.
- Russians actually stopped releasing evacuation vehicles from the occupied Kherson and Zaporizhzhia regions to the Ukrainian controlled territory.

26.10

- In Kyiv oblast, 754 heating points have already been prepared for the residents to survive the winter period. They are located in each of the 69 communities of the region. In villages and urban settlements, heating points are designed to host up to 30 people, in cities - up to 300 people.
- The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine is asking the law enforcement agencies of Ukraine to open a case against Lvova-Belova, the representative of the Russian president for children's rights, who declared that she "adopted" a child taken from Mariupol. The Russian representative also admitted to facilitating the illegal adoption of about 350 more Ukrainian children from the captured regions of Donbas in the Russian Federation. The removal of Ukrainian children from the temporarily occupied territories of Ukraine to Russia and their subsequent adoption by Russian citizens grossly violates the 1949 Geneva Convention on the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War.

27.10

- The Russian-appointed "authority" in Zaporizhzhia oblast announced the introduction of military censorship in the occupied territory based on Vladimir Putin's "martial law" decree. On October 27, the "selective preventive check of citizens' mobile phones" began in the region.
- As a result of the Russian attack on the energy infrastructure of Ukraine, the shortage of electricity in Kyiv may amount to 30%, so the blackouts will be longer and affect a much larger number of consumers.
- Next year, Ukraine will need more than 3 billion dollars per month just to cover social expenses. This was stated by Minister of Finance Serhii Marchenko during the discussion "War in Ukraine: Financing the victory", reports the ministry's press service.

28.10

- The press service of DTEK Kyivski Elektromerezhi (the power supplying company) informs that stabilization of power blackouts continued in Kyiv on October 28. There is no light for 4-6 hours a day in Kyiv and Kyiv region. The DTEK company will review the schedules of the rolling blackouts for Kyiv and their duration may increase to six hours a day.
- According to 2022 results, real salaries of Ukrainians will drop by a quarter. Since the beginning of the war, 404,000 Ukrainian citizens have received the status of unemployed. According to the employment service of Ukraine, 8 unemployed people apply for one vacancy.
- Mayor of Kyiv Vitalii Klytschko states that it takes approximately 2-3 weeks to stabilize the situation with electricity supply in the capital.
- The growth of fuel prices in Ukraine slowed down significantly (to 66.2% in September), although they are still high. In the future, fuel prices will rise more slowly (up to 20% per year).

29.10

- In the de-occupied territories of the Donetsk region, Kharkiv region, and Kherson region, more than a thousand bodies of the dead have already been discovered - said the Minister of Internal Affairs, Denys Monastyrskyi. "We found 268 bodies in the de-occupied territories of the Donetsk region, 765 bodies were found in the Kharkiv region, and 44 bodies were found in the Kherson region."

