

THE RUSSIAN GENOCIDAL WAR AGAINST UKRAINE

WHY UKRAINE MUST WIN



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Putin has made it clear that **his goal is to destroy Ukraine** and its people, committing genocide in the process. This is why Ukrainians continue to fight fiercely. Across the occupied territories, we have witnessed evidence of mass murder, rape, terror, and the destruction of entire cities, churches, hospitals, and children's daycare centers, alongside horrific war crimes not seen since World War II. If Putin's war of conquest continues, mass killings will escalate, and if he is not defeated, Ukraine faces an existential threat.

To allow Russia to win, whether through a "peace" agreement or any other means, would be a **monumental strategic mistake**, akin to conceding Nazi Germany's control over Western Europe in exchange for a promise of no further aggression. Freezing the conflict along the occupied territories would allow Moscow to continue its Russification program, subjecting over 4 million Ukrainians to the terror of occupation—an unthinkable prospect for the Ukrainian people.

If Ukraine falls, the threat will extend beyond its borders, with Moldova, the Baltic States, and Poland potentially next in line. Russia's aggression will expand into Europe, and the cost to the West would be immeasurable.

However, **if Ukraine succeeds**—supported by the US and Europe—freedom will triumph, and the rule of law and order will prevail. Defeating the Russian army will also send a powerful message to Russia, and the "Axis of Evil" nations—Iran, North Korea, and China—detering their imperial ambitions. Standing firm against Russia now will also send a clear signal to China, discouraging its ambitions regarding Taiwan.

Russia is waging a war against the WEST not just against Ukraine.

DETAILED SUMMARY

- **Russian invasion of Ukraine - 3-year anniversary:** On February 24, 2022, Putin launched the invasion of Ukraine as part of his vision to create a new 'Russian World'—a reconstituted Russian Empire. Without Ukraine, there is no empire. Historically, Ukraine was the breadbasket and industrial powerhouse of the Soviet Union, contributing over 40% of its GDP. Between 1989 and 1991, the Soviet Union collapsed, and in 1991, 92.3% of Ukrainians voted for independence. This implosion freed 144 million people across Eastern Europe, the Baltics, and Ukraine from Soviet domination.
- **Russia's invasion of 2022 was a failure:** Russia's plan was to capture Kyiv in three days and take control of the entire country within two weeks using 200,000 troops. However, it failed. Ukraine has been resisting Russian forces for the fourth year, despite many Western governments initially believing Ukraine was doomed. While Russia made gains in the south and southeast, Ukraine successfully destroyed Russian forces near Kyiv, Chernihiv, and Sumy oblasts. The Russian campaign to capture Kharkiv was also a disaster. So far, Ukraine has regained 54 % of the territory occupied by Russia from the estimated 18 % seized at the start of the invasion.
- **Ukraine wants peace – the Axis of Evil:** The war will end when Russia withdraws from Ukraine's occupied territories and returns home. Russia does not seek "peace"—it aims to restore the power it once held over the Soviet Empire. Just as it allied with Nazi Germany in 1939 to divide Europe, Russia has now aligned itself with China, North Korea, and Iran—the new Axis of Evil. Russia aspires to become Europe's dominant power with the support of its partners, while China seeks control over Asia. This war of conquest has nothing to do with NATO and everything to do with global power dominance. However, there can be no peace deal until Ukraine regains all its occupied land and Russia returns to its 1991 borders, as it committed to in the Budapest Memorandum.

- **Budapest Memorandum of 1994:** Ukraine gave up the world's third largest nuclear weapons systems due to pressure brought on it by the **United States in 1994**. **President Clinton** today regrets that decision. The Budapest Memorandum signed by the **USA, Russia and UK** gave "assurances" (in Ukrainian and other languages translated as "guarantees") that the borders and sovereignty of Ukraine were to be sacrosanct. **In 2014** when Russia invaded the Donbas and Crimea there was silence from the signatories. **If Ukraine had kept the nuclear weapons in 1994, the war of conquest by Russia would never have occurred. Ukraine's forced disarmament paved the way for Russia's invasion.**
- **Putin's War Crimes:** Putin's invasion of Ukraine has resulted in mass murder, the imprisonment of Ukrainian opponents in occupied territories, abductions and mass deportations, the rape of children, and over 500,000 Ukrainian soldiers and civilians killed or wounded.
 - **Genocidal war against Ukraine:** Putin's ultimate display of power is waging a genocidal war against a sovereign European state, aiming to exterminate its Ukrainian inhabitants. He has declared himself a czar, chosen by 'history' to decide which nations deserve to survive and which do not.
 - **Abducted Ukrainian Children:** Putin has already been indicted by the ICC for war crimes, including the abduction of over 250,000 children, with further indictments expected.
 - **Occupied Territories of Ukraine:** Across the occupied territories of Ukraine, Russian forces have committed rape, torture, massacres of civilians, and mass burials—accompanied by propaganda and lies reminiscent of Hitler and Joseph Goebbels.
 - **Ukrainians in the occupied territories forced to take Russian Citizenship since 2022:** In the occupied areas, all civilians are being coerced into taking Russian citizenship and passports. Those who refuse are being denied access to essential services such as medical care, education, employment, and pensions. This forced imposition of foreign citizenship violates international law, as it is illegal to compel individuals to adopt the nationality of another country.
 - **Torture and Executions of Ukrainian soldiers are WAR CRIMES:** The soldiers released from Russian captivity have endured brutal torture and starvation, constituting clear war crimes. Ukrainian soldiers who were captured have faced horrific acts, including beheadings and castration. Over 200 Ukrainian soldiers who recently surrendered have been executed, a tragic testament to the inhumane treatment they have suffered. These acts are not isolated, but rather part of a systematic policy directed by the Russian state.
 - **Sexual Crimes:** Thousands of cases have been reported involving sexual crimes and torture, with both children and adults being victims of these atrocities committed by Russian forces. These heinous acts highlight the brutal and systematic violence being inflicted on innocent civilians.
 - **Destruction of the Country:** Entire Ukrainian cities, towns, villages, and entire regions have been decimated, reduced to rubble, and heavily mined. The once-thriving forests have been destroyed, and the land is left contaminated, making it impossible for life to return. The scars of war will haunt these areas for generations to come.
 - **Russians are persecuting all Christians in the occupied territories of Ukraine:** Persecuted groups include Roman Catholics, Evangelical Christian Baptists, Presbyterians, Methodists, Lutherans, members of the Ukrainian Reformed Orthodox Church, Jehovah's Witnesses, as well as Jews and Muslims. Since the onset of the war, Russia has destroyed over 660 churches in Ukraine, targeting religious communities and their places of worship in a blatant assault on faith and culture.
 - **Russian War Crimes:** The systemic atrocities carried out by Moscow over the last three years are a continuation of the brutal methods they have employed in warfare for centuries. These actions are not isolated incidents, but part of a longstanding pattern of violence and inhumanity. All those involved in these war crimes should be held accountable and persecuted in a manner similar to the Nuremberg trials, ensuring justice for the countless victims of this aggression.
- **Russian History and Ukrainian History:** The **Kyivan Rus**, the precursor to modern Ukraine, existed 400 years before Moscow's rise. Moscow, for over three centuries, was a vassal state of the Mongols, remaining under

their control until the mid-1500s. The leadership style and practices of Russia have deep roots in this Mongol heritage, rather than in European traditions. While Ukrainians are Slavs, the Russian people, influenced heavily by Mongol rule, are of Finno-Mongolian descent—a lineage that can be seen in figures like Vladimir Putin.

Ukrainian Demographic Losses from 1917 to Present: Over **twenty-five million** Ukrainians have perished due to starvation, murder, and the atrocities committed by both Russian and Nazi forces during events such as collectivization, the Holodomor of 1932-33, and World War II. Few nations in history have endured as much death, suffering, and destruction as Ukraine, bearing a continuing heavy toll on Ukrainians today.

- **The War is Not a Stalemate - Ukraine's Recent Accomplishments:**

- **Oil Refineries:** Ukraine has developed **20 different types of long-range drones**, each capable of flying over 1,000 km. These drones have successfully damaged **14** out of **30** major oil refineries and storage facilities in Russia, leading to a loss of 1-2 million barrels per day—approximately 30% of Russia's refining and storage capacity. This strategic disruption has significantly impacted Russia's oil industry.
- **Ukrainian Drone Army:** Drones have become a central weapon of the war. Ukraine has produced over **2.5 million drones** in 2024. The drone army is using about 200,000 drones a month destroying over 10,000 tanks, 20,000 armoured vehicles and 23,000 artillery systems.
- **Ukraine has driven out the Russian Navy from the Black Sea using sea drones:** Ukraine developed a new type of weapon, the **sea drone**, which has devastated the Russian fleet in the Black Sea and driven it out of Crimea. **Twenty-eight (28) warships corvettes**, and **1 submarine** were destroyed out of a fleet of **44 ships** by Ukrainian sea drones – this without Ukraine even having no navy. By itself, Ukraine re-opened the blockaded western route in the Black Sea for international shipping of grain to the world.
- **The Russian Air force is not active over Ukraine:** The Russian air force attempted to establish air supremacy over Ukraine, but their aircraft have largely remained within Russia's borders. Ukraine's robust air defense systems and missile capabilities have made it too dangerous for Russian bombers and fighters to operate over Ukrainian territory. As a result, Russia has lost a total of 370 aircraft and 331 helicopters in the ongoing conflict.
- **Russian Army Casualties:** Over **860,000 Russian troops** have been killed and wounded in Ukraine.

- **Europe has spent double the US on Ukrainian aid (military, financial and humanitarian) since 2022:**

- **Europe - \$ 195 billion (military aid \$ 62 Billion)**
- **USA - \$ 102 billion (military aid \$ 61 Billion)**
- **Other countries - \$ 41 billion.**
- **US Military aid to Ukraine is \$ 61 billion since 2022:** 90% of the military money was spent in the **38 states** of the USA that have an armaments industry. The armaments that would be sent to Ukraine would be from existing stock most of which was slated for decommissioning and the money allocated by the government was to replace the equipment sent with new systems.

The TOTAL GDP of the **US /European Union is over \$ 40 trillion a year:** Russia is a mere **\$ 1.7 trillion.** The US/EU GDP is **twenty-five (25) times greater than Russia's.** The EU/US population base is **five (5) times greater** than Russia's. The economy of Russia is smaller than that of Canada, Italy or Spain.

Conclusion

Why is the West afraid of Russia? Ukraine can win if all the necessary offensive systems are provided by the West. Russia's economy can be severely crippled by implementing a total oil and gas embargo. These resources are crucial in funding Putin's war efforts. By cutting off this key revenue stream, the international community can easily cripple Russia's financial capabilities, thereby collapsing its ability to continue its aggressive actions.

On Russian defeat in the war in Ukraine, the thirty of so captive nations could be decolonized from the so-called "Russian Federation" which would destroy Russia's Imperial ambitions forever and hopefully see them develop into democratic countries and partners.

PART A. THE RUSSIAN GENOCIDAL WAR AGAINST UKRAINE

1. Ukraine is defending the West - Ukraine Can and Will Win the WAR against Russia:

- **Capturing Ukraine in three (3) days was the goal of Putin:** The full-scale Russian Invasion started on February 24, 2022. Putin's goal was to capture Kyiv and install a puppet government in 3 days. It's now 36 months and there is still no victory for Russia – this is an incredible achievement by Ukraine against the supposed second largest army in the world.
- **Ukraine has fought an 11-year war against Russia:** Russia is waging the **largest European land war of conquest since the Second World War** and Ukraine has persevered. Many Western countries thought that Ukraine would collapse after a few weeks. Except for anti-tank weapons like Javelins and NLAW, Ukraine stopped the Russian army without heavy weapons but with determination. Fighting alone, Ukraine is breaking the 2nd largest army in the world. It has not only persevered, it has regained 54% of the occupied territories that Russia initially seized. Ukraine has defended the West from Russian imperialism **since 2014**. The war is now in its **11th year**.
- **Ukrainian Independence:** Ukrainians know what they are fighting for – **"defending their nation's existence."** If they stop fighting, Ukraine will cease to exist as an independent state and its people will cease to exist as a Ukrainian nation. Russia's genocidal goal is to force Ukraine to submit to Russian control. By destroying the Ukrainian people, its language and culture, Russia is taking its first steps to recreate the Soviet-Russian Empire. Russia's historic goal throughout history has always been expanding its empire. **A Ukraine without Ukrainians is a critical piece of that imperial goal.** Throughout history Russians have mass murdered Ukrainians killing all Ukrainian intellectuals and cultural figures.
- **How many more deaths should Ukraine suffer?**

*Since the 1917 Communist Revolution to the present, **over 25 million Ukrainians** have perished by collectivization, starvation, torture, murder, slave labour, and forced relocation in Russia's long campaign of conquest of Ukraine.*

Few countries in the world have suffered more death and destruction than UKRAINE.

The invasion by Putin is a continuation of that history. There is nothing "brotherly" between Russia and Ukraine. Russia has always been an enemy of Ukraine.

- **Ukraine's history of fighting for Independence:** Ukraine has been fighting for **national independence** from Russian Colonial rule and Russification for over **three hundred years**, achieving independence briefly in **1918 -1921** after the collapse of Czarist Russia and then finally in **1991**, with the collapse and dissolution of the Soviet Union.

- **Destruction of Ukraine:** Russia is attempting to crush Ukraine, destroying its industries and infrastructure, bombing its energy plants, hospitals, schools, universities, industrial, and residential neighbourhoods throughout the country. Hundreds of thousands of buildings have been destroyed. The Russians are undoing all the progress Ukraine has made in the past **34 years** since it broke free of Russian-Soviet occupation and control.



- **Russian War against the WEST - Ukraine is only the beginning:** Intelligence officers in Britain, Germany, Finland, Poland, and the Baltic states of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania have all opined that Russia is building a military machine that will attack Europe within **5 to 10 years**. ***If Russia is not deterred now in Ukraine Europeans and Americans will be in that war – the Third World War.***

- **Russian Hybrid War against the WEST:** Since the full-scale invasion of Ukraine in 2022, Russia has used a broad campaign of hybrid attacks against the West via means of **Cyber-attacks, arson, sabotage and murder**. In Europe Russia has engaged Chinese ships to drag their anchors along the bottom of the Baltic Sea destroying undersea infrastructure cables containing communications (internet) and electrical power. Russian troll farms are relentlessly disseminating anti-Western propaganda through new media (Tik Tok, Instagram, Facebook, X).

Russia uses refugees as a weapon against the West. Russia engaged in a war of destruction in Syria causing millions of refugees to flood Europe. In addition, Russia encourages illegal migrants from Africa, Middle East, Asia, and Afghanistan to enter Europe, deliberately destabilizing European society and straining its resources. Russia has brought illegal immigrants to the European borders through Belarus as well as over the Mediterranean. Together with its immigrant “warfare,” Russia has funded both extreme left wing and right-wing parties throughout Europe, disrupting elections while advancing politicians who parrot Putin’s agendas. A large number of politicians in Europe have been compromised by Russia’s FSB. All of these activities are operated throughout Europe by the **FSB** and the new organization **DKRO** working from inside Russia’s embassies and consulates. ***All Russian embassies in Europe should be closed down.***

Russia the last Empire:

It was the strong leadership of the United States and Europe that confronted the Soviet Empire (USSR) resulting in its defeat in 1989-1991. A total of over 144 million people were liberated from Russian-Soviet domination in Eastern Europe, the Caucasus, the Baltics, Ukraine and the five Central Asian States (Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Turkmenistan, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan).

Each of these countries have their own histories of terror, abuse and genocide committed against them by the Russians.

2. US and European support for Ukraine:

The United States and its European allies and partners have provided incredible support to Ukraine since 2022 in its battle to retain its sovereignty and its freedom from Russian reoccupation.

Ronald Reagan in 1983 at the height of the **Cold War /Soviet Afghan War** accurately described the **Soviet Union** as an “evil empire” and as “**the focus of evil in the modern world.**” He asserted that the conflict is between “**good and evil.**”

Forty years later his words on Russia are very relevant today.

“WE WIN -THEY LOSE”

Zbigniew Brzezinski (the Former National Security Advisor under President Jimmy Carter) astutely said: “**Without Ukraine Russia ceases to be an Empire, but with Ukraine suborned and subordinated, Russia automatically becomes an Empire,**” and that is Putin’s plan for Ukraine.

American War of Independence (1775-1783). America was a colony of the British for 200 years.

- **Ukraine was a colony of Russia for 300 years.**
- **The Americans fought the British for eight years and Ukraine has now been fighting the Russians for ten years (36 months since the full-scale invasion in 2022).**
- The **French** supported the Americans by providing supplies, **arms and ammunition**, uniforms, **and most importantly troops and naval support**.
- It was estimated that **50%** of the cost of the war of independence was provided by the French. In the same way America and Europe have continuously helped Ukraine to defeat **the Russian Imperial power**.
Ukraine can win just like the Americans did.

3. After the Fall of the Soviet Union in 1991, under American pressure Ukraine relinquished its Nuclear Weapons to Russia:

- **Ukraine “gave up” the following nuclear weapons, missiles and aircraft:**
 - **200 ICBM’s** - ballistic missiles
 - **2156** nuclear warheads
 - **1,000 cruise missiles** – which the Russian are now using against Ukraine
 - **4,200 tactical nuclear warheads** – these were the first weapons seized by the Russians as these were as small as artillery shells.
 - **43 strategic heavy bombers** – Russia is using these aircraft to bomb Ukraine on a daily basis.



The US under President Clinton forced Ukraine to give up the third largest nuclear arsenal in the world. Clinton told President Kravchuk that “not signing would risk major damage to USA - Ukrainian relations.**”**

There would have been no invasion in 2014 & 2022 by the Russians if Ukraine had not been forced to give up its weapons. Ukraine sacrificed their nuclear weapons in exchange for promises of goodwill and signed its own death warrant.

If these nuclear weapons had remained in Ukraine, over 500,000 Ukrainians would not have been killed and wounded.

- **Pakistan, India and Israel** have nuclear weapons, but they were not forced to relinquish them by the Americans.
- **Budapest Memorandum - 1994:** Ukraine gave up its nuclear weapons on the condition that Russia would honour its borders and not invade the country or apply economic pressure. Ukraine signed the memorandum on **December 5, 1994**.
- **Ukraine’s Biggest Geopolitical Mistake - Giving up its Nuclear Arsenal:**
 - Assurances for Ukraine’s security were provided by the **United States, United Kingdom, and the Russian Federation with further assurances/signatures of France, and China**. All assured that UKRAINE’s sovereignty would be protected and its borders maintained and honored.

- **In 2014**, Russia invaded Ukraine and occupied Crimea/Donbas, **but there was only silence from the signatories**. **President Obama** did nothing to honor the Budapest Agreement. He refused to supply any weapons to help Ukraine defend itself. Instead, **Obama** “reset” relations with Russia, normalizing economic relations – a policy the West has been following since. A terrible policy that has led to the crisis we face today.
- **What trust have we now in international agreements? What security have smaller states now without their own nuclear weapons? Where was the support by the signatories USA/UK/France for Ukraine when Russia started the war by invading Crimea and the Donbas?**

President Bill Clinton admitted regret for pushing Ukraine to give up its nuclear weapons. April 5, 2023

4. Why did Russia Invade Ukraine?

- **Russian Imperial Empire Expansion:** Russia’s invasion of Ukraine was the beginning of that **new ambitious imperial vision for European dominance** – not through leadership and the competition for superior economic models but **by brute force**.

Putin stated “The collapse of the Soviet Union was the greatest geopolitical catastrophe of the 20th Century” and he wants to re-establish that Empire and he would be lauded as the new Russian Czar for the history books and to plunder the wealth of Ukraine.
- **Russian Conquest:** Russia is not looking for “**peace**” but **conquest; not co-existence, but dominance**. Russia seeks to re-establish the power it exerted when it controlled a vast and unwilling empire of subject nations under the guise of a “**co-operative Soviet Union**”.
- **Ukraine is a Nation:** Putin stated that he does **not accept Ukraine as a real State** nor **Ukrainian national identity**, claiming instead that Ukraine is Russia. **Putin’s propaganda is a lie**.
- **Putin’s intention in Ukraine:** Putin has embraced this **Russian imperial tradition**. When his initial efforts to re-establish control over Ukraine via political subversion were thwarted by the country’s 2004 and 2014 Maidan revolutions. President Yanukovich fled Ukraine after ordering the killing of 110 demonstrators in Kyiv. Putin then decided to use military force and ordered the Russian military to seize Crimea and Donbas, starting a war with Ukraine which is still going on – expanding it with the full-scale invasion in 2022.

Ukraine is a unique country with a much longer history than Russia by over 400 years.

Putin’s Invasion is targeting Ukraine’s massive natural resources and its industries:
Yevgeny Prigozhin the Russian mercenary leader (founder of WAGNER group) and oligarch (killed by Putin) said in one of his videos. “The only reason that Putin invaded Ukraine was to steal its resources and split it with his Oligarch mafia cronies.” This is what has occurred in Donbas and Crimea since 2014.

- **Ukrainians are not Russians:** Ukrainians are a **Slavic people** and Russians are predominately **Finno-Mongolian** with an entirely different history, values and culture. They are “**not brothers**” as Putin and various pundits claim. Ukraine does not have a common language, culture, or political history with Russia.

- **Ukraine is a Democracy and Russia a dictatorship:** Ukraine in the last **25 years** has had **5 Presidents** and Russia has only **one**, Putin. Putin believes that an **independent, democratic Ukraine is a threat** to his dictatorial rule by setting an example of freedom and prosperity the Russian people might follow.
- **Reasons propagated by Putin for the invasion of Ukraine:** Putin manufactured various reasons for invading Ukraine – that the Ukrainian government were **Nazis (while the President was Jewish)**; **“that he was afraid of Ukraine joining NATO” (while Ukraine was neutral)**; that he wanted to support the Russian speakers in Eastern Ukraine from Ukrainian attacks (while it was these very regions Russian bombed into oblivion), etc. All of Russia’s “justifications” for its attack and brutal campaign are complete fabrications and lies.
- **Russian State Budget - War:** Russia in 2025 is dedicating **43% of its state budget to military production** and is in the process of expropriating its industrial base from private to state ownership to mobilize full-scale war production. It is estimated that Russian military expenditures since its full-scale invasion in February, 2022, are between **\$450 billion**. Russia hopes to recoup its losses by capturing Ukraine’s wealth.
- **NATO Expansion and Eastern Europe:** Putin knew that **NATO would not invade** at all, another false narrative. Recently **Sweden and Finland** sharing an 840-mile border with Russia, joined NATO, with no concern at all by Russia. In fact, **Russia has withdrawn its forces from Finland and all the bordering nations** to commit them to the war with Ukraine. NATO has never been a threat to Russia, only an impediment to its imperial ambitions.

Some Russian apologist have argued that **NATO should not have expanded** into the former Warsaw Pact countries, however, **NATO did not expand** as the former **occupied countries, voluntary applied to join**, knowing Russian long-term intentions to invade them again. Russia is, in fact and throughout its history, a violent and imperialistic state that respects only power and seeks to dominate wherever it sees weakness.

- **ICC arrest warrant for Putin:** The International Criminal Court (ICC) issued **arrest warrants** for Putin and **Lvova-Belova**, for committing crimes against humanity for the unlawful seizure, deportation and transfer of Ukrainian children from occupied areas of Ukraine to Russia – over 250,000 children have “disappeared” from the occupied territories. The horrors these children are enduring will never be healed.

5. **Russian allies in the War against Ukraine. The New Axis of Evil - China, Belarus, Iran And North Korea:**

- **China:** Supplies machine tools, technology and components for weapons systems.
- **North Korea:** NK involvement is cash-for-weapons exchange and deployment of 12,000 Korean troops. NK supplied over 6 million artillery shells and surface-to-surface missiles.
- **Iran:** Shahed drones and long range ballistic and cruise missiles.
- **Sanctioning Military Technology:** To assist in preventing the re-export of goods and technologies crucial to Russia’s military industries from non-sanctioning third countries, the UK, US, EU and Japan have adopted a **Common High Priority Items List**, which are largely considered dual-use technologies that Russia has been actively seeking to procure via neighbouring countries.
- **Russian military equipment components:** Ukrainian experts are constantly examining Russian missiles, drones, tanks and other weapons and equipment. Of the nearly **3,000** components examined, **only 14 were made in Russia**. **Over 95%** of all parts found on the battlefield are sourced from western countries, with **72% from Western based companies**. Western companies are profiting off the war and enabling Russia.

- **China & Third countries:** They supply microchips and other dual use technologies that power the Russian war of aggression. In addition, they supply critical minerals that are used for making critical weaponry. Components are shipped from China to third-country middle-men like **Turkey and Kazakhstan**.
- **Crushing Oil and Gas Sanctions need to be implemented by the WEST:**
India and China are buying 94% of sanctioned oil which is the major source of Russia's state revenue that finances the war. Sales are estimated at about **\$200 billion a year**. Cutting off oil and gas sales would collapse Russian finances and its economy. **Europe** has mostly stopped their purchase of Russian gas which previously accounted for **40%** of their consumption, however LNG is still being sold in Europe. Russia maintains through third parties (Greek shipping lines mostly) a ghost fleet of **280 ships** to avoid sanctions. These ships continue to transport Russian oil to India and China which buy it a large discount. Some of that trade has been curtailed due to additional sanctions instituted recently. **India and China should be sanctioned by Europe and the USA as they are prolonging the war.**
- **General Sanctions:** The **European Union** plans to add another **25 Chinese entities** to a blacklist of companies for circumventing sanctions on **Russia**, as part of the next package of measures aimed at hobbling Moscow's war effort. A total of **16 sanction packages** have been initiated since 2022. Despite extensive export controls and sanctions the Axis should have additional sanctioned placed on them to the maximum extent possible. As retired American General Keith Kellogg, special envoy for Ukraine and Russia stated recently, out of a possible scale of **ten** the sanctions imposed to date rate at a low of **3 or 4**

6. **PUTIN's Kleptocracy - Russia is a Mafia State run by thugs:**

- **Russia is an Authoritarian and Fascist State and under Putin a "Kleptocracy":** Russia has become a **Mafia state** which features centralised corruption networks led by Putin and a political elite that controls society. Russia is a **Single Party State** with oligarchs controlling the wealth of the country which they accumulated during the rapid privatization in the early 90's. **Putin** and the **FSB/DKRO** secret police control the country. Power within the Kremlin is based on allegiance to Putin. Those designated as traitors by Putin are eliminated, like Prigozhin, the Wagner leader.
- **Opposition to Putin:** There is no effective opposition to Putin's rule as he has reinstated Stalin era laws and practices. The most effective opposition leader to arise in thirty years was **Boris Nemtsov**. Nemtsov was shot dead on the streets within sight of the Kremlin in 2015, days before he was to lead a protest against the war in Ukraine that started in 2014. The kill orders no doubt came from Putin. Nemtsov served as the deputy prime minister under President Boris Yeltsin, and was widely tipped to be his successor. The other opposition leader, **Aleksei Navalny** was murdered in an Arctic prison in Russia on **February 2024** again on the orders of Putin.
- **DKRO - a new elite spy unit of counter intelligence in the FSB branch:** This agency has about 2,000 officers and its role is internal repression. It is under the direct control of Putin. DKRO has arrested hundreds of Russians accused of spying, collaborating or treason. In addition, they carry out surveillance, intimidating, arresting and imprisoning foreigners like Evan Gershkovich, a Wall Street Journalist who was released recently on an exchange with genuine Russian terrorists held in Western Prisons. Furthermore, DKRO officers operate on foreign countries, recruiting spies and conducting sabotage in Europe. In Ukraine, DKRO sabotage railways and gather intelligence on officials to assassinate. In 2017 two car bombs killed officials of Ukraine intelligence agencies in Kyiv.
- **Ordered Killings:** Between **2014 to the present**, all persons who opposed Putin are dead. There are **over eighty (80) deaths** of **Russian oligarchs, politicians, business people, journalists and high officials**, sometimes including their family members. These are state-ordered killings by Putin.

- **Putin's Vision:** Putin has the ambition of restoring the so-called “**Great Russian Power**” that Russia enjoyed when it ruled over the Soviet Union. Having lost its power with the fall of the Soviet Union, Putin's goal is to reverse history and regain its former Soviet empire and power: **Power and Empire is Russia's *raison d'être*, its sole reason for existence. What other purpose has a dictatorship but power and for its elite, privileges.**
- **Educated Russian Classes:** The vast majority of the **one (1) million** Russians who fled Russia after the war broke out did so not in opposition to the war but **to escape conscription**. Unlike the Iranian exiles in the west, or even the Chinese, very few Russians have ever raised their voice – free to do so in the West – in protest against the Russian regime. To the contrary they are silent and mostly support it.
- **Diane Francis, a Canadian journalist and author, wrote the article “THE PUTIN KLEPTOCRACY,” November 30, 2023, and stated:**

*“He (PUTIN) is the world's only “TRILLIONAIRE”, but his name does not appear on the Forbes billionaire list nor does he show up on any bank accounts, share certificates, or property deeds. The **105 Russian billionaires** listed by Forbes are Putin's proxies and partners, and most of **their assets or companies are controlled and owned by him.**”*

- **Diane Francis** wrote: “**PUTIN is the world's richest man, money is a means, not an end, to obtain world domination**”.
- **Gary Kasparov**, the former Russian chess champion and Putin critic said: “**Putin controls more money, directly or indirectly than any other individual in the history of the human race**”.
- **Andrei Illarionov**, Putin's former economic advisor for six years, stated recently: “As soon as he conquers Ukraine, he will quickly take full control of **Belarus, then its Moldova, and then the Baltics**. I seriously doubt anybody will help the Baltics (NATO members) in this situation. **Having taken Belarus, Ukraine and the Baltics, “Putin will have twice as many military forces to then attack Europe”.**”

7. Ukraine voted for Independence in 1991 from the Soviet Union:

- Putin said one of the reasons for the invasion was that the people of Donbas & Crimea **wanted to join Russia** as they are **Russian speakers**. Putin's statements are **lies** as the majority of the people in those regions voted for independence from the Soviet Union in **1991. They spoke Russian because under Soviet-Russian occupation the teaching of Ukrainian was outlawed.**

In the **Ukrainian Referendum of 1991**, the question was “**do you want to leave the Soviet Union?**” Out of **84%** people who voted, **92.3% voted - YES. Nobody wanted to join Russia. The results are as follows.**

The following occupied territories voted for Ukrainian Independence in 1991.

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| • Donetsk – 83.9 % | - Zaporizhzhia – 90.66% |
| • Dnipropetrovsk – 90.36 % | - Sevastapol City – 57.07 |
| • Luhansk – 83.86 % | - Crimea – 54.19% |

- **Referendum in the occupied territories:** In the Ukrainian occupied lands, Russia staged a sham “referendum” on the annexation, with the results showing 93% agreement. **In fact, few people voted. Many of those who did were forced to vote for Russia under duress by Russian soldiers.**

8. Full-scale invasion by Russia on February 24, 2022 and its impact in the occupied territories:

- **Invasion:** The Russian army invaded Ukraine from Crimea in the South, from the North East via Kharkiv, from Belarus in the North and from Donbas in the East.



Battle for Kyiv: When the Russian army invaded from the north, Ukrainian troops, civilians and volunteers mobilized and headed for the forests and Pripjat swamps to meet the tanks and APC's.

Ukraine used **Javelin missiles** supplied by the USA /NLAW by the UK which destroyed Russia's tanks and crushed the Russian army in the early days and weeks of the war, forcing the Russians to retreat back to Belarus.

Destroyed Russian tanks.

- **KILL LISTS:** Russia had prepared "**Kill Lists**" of politicians, army officials, veterans, priests, teachers, journalist and everyone they deemed hostile to Russia. Many teachers, lawyers, civil officials were to be arrested and executed, or imprisoned in concentration camps or transported to Siberia – exactly as the Russians did to the Ukrainians in the years between the 1920's and 1947. This has been ongoing in the occupied territories of Ukraine – Donetsk, Luhansk, Zaporizhzhia and Crimea. Reports of targeted state killing are being received regularly from the occupied territories about the horror and brutality of Russian occupation.

Why are Ukrainians fighting? They know what is in store for them – execution or imprisonment in Siberia concentration camps – if they lose the war and Russia takes over the country.

• The size of the Ukrainian Army and Casualties:

➤ **The Ukrainian army:** active strength:

- **1,260,000** personnel of which **45,000** are women.
- **2,700,000** reserves
- Ukraine has the **largest and most advanced army** in the Europe.



A Cemetery near Kyiv

➤ **Ukrainian Casualties:**

- **43,100** killed
- **390,000** wounded
- **8,000 POWs.**
- *Every family in Ukraine has been affected by the death of family members.*
- The average age of soldiers in the Ukrainian army is **40** as the government has limited the use of young men and women to fight.
- In the Vietnam War, **58,220** Americans were killed. Their average age was **23**.



- **Makeup of the Ukrainian army:** Regular troops and volunteers are from all walks of life, politicians, industrial workers, farm workers, teachers, Olympic athletes, nurses, doctors, professors, lawyers, musicians, football players and IT specialists for the drone army. A Ukrainian Opera singer who was the star at the Paris Opera returned to Ukraine to fight and was killed in the Donbas.
- **Russian war crimes in the occupied territories:** The **United Nations Human Rights Office** reports that Russia is committing severe human rights violations in occupied Ukraine. These include arbitrary detentions, torture, looting, and enforced disappearances committed by Russian soldiers acting with

"impunity." Peaceful protests and freedom of speech have been suppressed, while freedom of movement is severely restricted.

Anyone suspected of opposing the occupation has been targeted, while people have been "encouraged to inform on one another, leaving them afraid even of their own friends and neighbours" as in Stalin's time. Parents of children who use the Ukrainian educational system remotely, if caught, are fined and lose custody of their children. **Students aged 18 and older are drafted into the Russian military.**

- **Ukrainians in the occupied Territories forcibly removed to Russia:** It is estimated that the Russians have inflicted over **147,000 war crimes** on the Ukrainian people throughout the occupied territories. They have stolen children, and by their own figures have **forcibly removed five (5) million Ukrainians (this is a Genocide)** into distant Russian regions from the occupied territories. A total of **4 million Ukrainians** are still living in the occupied territories.

Morally Ukraine cannot abandon the Ukrainian people in the occupied Territories to the Russian occupiers - would you?

- **Ukrainians in the occupied territories forced to take Russian Citizenship since 2022:** Throughout the occupied areas all civilians are forced to take Russian citizenship and passports as those who do not are denied medical care, education, work or pensions. Those people who do not accept Russian citizenship are beaten and tortured by the Russians and then subjected to imprisonment as **"foreign citizens" in their own country.** Deemed **"stateless"** they are subject to the loss of their children and confiscation of their property.
Under international law since 1907, it is forbidden to force people "to swear allegiance to a hostile power".

Thousands of Ukrainian men who were forced to register as Russian citizens are then forced to join the Russian army and many have been killed fighting their own people who are trying to liberate them. In order not to destroy Russian lives, Russia uses ethnic minorities from the Russian Federation, Ukrainians from the occupied territories, North Koreans, prisoners, foreign workers and conscripted mercenaries from African countries to fight their war.

- **Sexual Crimes:** There are thousands of reported cases of sexual crimes and torture involving children and adults committed by Russians, being investigated from the now liberated regions. Vaginal-perineal damage to some women is so severe surgery cannot repair. Under Russian occupation Russians have carried out mass rape of women, men, and children of both sexes. Traumas the victims will never recover from.

- **Ukrainian Children Abducted by Russia:** **Over 250,000 thousand** Ukrainian children have disappeared and been abducted by the Russian state after their parents had been arrested by Russian occupation authorities or killed in the invasion, or after becoming separated from their parents in an active war zone. Children have also been abducted from Ukrainian state institutions in occupied areas, like orphanages, group homes, care homes, hospitals, and boarding schools and through children's "summer camps". The abducted children have been subject to Russification; assigned Russian citizenship, and forcibly adopted into Russian families. ***Stealing children during a war in a foreign country is an act of genocide and violation of the Geneva Convention.***



- **Torture and Executions of Ukrainian soldiers are WAR CRIMES:** Most of the soldiers who were released from Russian captivity stated that **they were all tortured and starved which is a war crime.** Captured Ukrainian soldiers were beheaded and their heads stuck on rebar for public display. There are multiple instances of Russian soldiers and guards castrating Ukrainian prisoners and civilians. It is estimated that

over **200 Ukrainian soldiers who surrendered recently were executed** on the spot in the battlefield and about **78** since August 2024. Their murders are “**war crimes**” and were recorded by drone video. These executions were on direct orders from the Russian commanders pursuant to Russian government policy to inflict terror on the Ukrainian army and its population.

- **Over 147,000 Russian war crime cases have been documented in Ukraine:** They have identified **six hundred Russian suspects** so far by name. Of particular concern is the fact that the Putin government encourages the commission of war crimes and honours the killers with state awards. This is a Russian state policy to “subdue” a hostile population through terror. Thousands of Ukrainians have disappeared into a vast network of prison and filtration camps.

There must be a reckoning for Russian War Crimes and the perpetrators must be prosecuted

- **Torture Chambers:** Russia sets up torture chambers in every Ukrainian community it has occupied. In the areas liberated from Russian occupation by the Ukrainian army. Over **160 active torture chambers** have been discovered. U.N special rapporteur (Alice J Edwards) on torture, wrote in a Report September 2023 that Russia’s torture of Ukrainians was “orchestrated as part of Russian State Policy to intimidate, to instill fear, to punish and extract information and confessions. The goal is also to “**Russify**” these territories and the Ukrainians living there.
- **The figures of Ukrainian civilians dead and wounded remains unknown:** What has not been included in any official numbers are the civilian deaths in **Mariupol** and other **occupied cities and towns** where verification is not yet possible. Mass grave sites however are visible from space satellites.

- **Mass bombings of civilians in Ukraine:** are carried out by Russia with artillery, glide bombs, Iranian drones, and cruise missiles against civilians in cities, towns and villages. Thousands have been killed. Russians have targeted and damaged **439** medical facilities and hospitals, **150,000** apartment buildings, **2 million** homes damaged and **131,000** houses and over **1,300** schools. Ukraine has respected and honoured all international laws and norms and only strikes military targets, not civilians.



- **Drone attacks:** The Ukrainian army drove the Russian army south of the Dnieper River in September of 2022, however since then the Russians have been using drones to randomly kill and terrorise civilians on the streets of Kherson City. Over 70 people have been killed by drones and dozens injured.

- **Mass graves** of murdered and executed civilians were found in **Bucha, Irpin, Izyum**, and in many other Ukrainian towns and villages the Russians had occupied. The fields of Ukrainian dead from **Mariupol still occupied by Russia** are so extensive they are easily visible from the space station.



Bodies exhumed from mass graves in Bucha

- **Destruction of Mariupol** is the coastal city on the Azov Sea that the Russians carpet bombed and destroyed. The city had a pre-war population of **500,000**. Estimates of the dead from Russia’s bombing campaign alone are estimated at over **80,000-100,000**. One publicized incident involved the **Russians deliberately bombing the Drama Theatre with missiles**, where it was estimated that over **600 women and children** were killed. **Since Russian occupation many more have been killed.**



Destroyed Mariupol theatre

- **Russia claims that they are a religious Orthodox country.** However, only between **2% -8 %** of the total population are **practicing Christians. The Patriarch of “Moscow of the Russian Orthodox Church” Vladimir Gundyayev**, known as **Kirill**, is a close ally of Putin, and is himself both an oligarch worth over **\$ 4 billion** and a member of the **FSB**, the secret police. All senior members of the Russian Orthodox Church are appointed by the FSB (secret police). They serve Putin and the Russian state.
- **Over 660 churches have been destroyed** in Ukraine. Some that were over **900-1,000 years old**, including **206 Protestant churches**.



“And Putin states Russia is a Christian Country?”

- **Russia’s Religious Persecution and destruction in Occupied Ukraine:** The cynical and unwarranted closing of the Ukrainian Orthodox Churches inside occupied Ukrainian territories by Russia, deprives Ukrainians of their right to worship and exposes Russia’s long-standing hostility to Christian teachings. In the occupied territories all **Protestant churches, Baptist, Pentecostal and Mosques** were ransacked, looted and burned. All surviving churches, in the occupied territories have been closed and forcibly handed over to the Russian authorities.

Many priests have been abducted, tortured and some 70 executed. The parishioners were harassed, have been recorded on their new Russian passports that they attended these churches and many since have disappeared. The Russian occupation is destroying a whole culture just as the Russians did in the 20’s and 30’s. Putin is following the path of destruction established by Lenin and Stalin.



Russian propaganda notwithstanding, **this is a war on religion – Christians, Muslims and Jews.**

- **Russian Use of Chemical Weapons & Thermobaric Bombs:** Credible reports show that Russian forces are using various types of thermobaric bombs (vacuum bombs) that suck oxygen out of air and crushes the lungs of Ukrainian soldiers. It was used in Syria civil war by the Russians. In addition various chemical munitions are used against Ukrainian soldiers which is also a violation of Russian obligations under the Chemical Weapons Convention.

- **UNESCO list of destroyed cultural sites in Ukrainian:** **238** buildings of historical significance, **32 Museums, 33** monuments, **17** libraries, archives and archeological sites. Over **13 museums** in the occupied areas were **deliberately plundered** and it is estimated that over **100,000** objects of gold, Scythian artifacts, icons, sculptures, paintings were taken to Crimea and Moscow. Russian history shows that they plunder everywhere they invade –Germany, Poland and Ukraine. **Russia’s signing of the Hague Convention in 1954 to safeguard cultural heritage from destruction means nothing.**



- **Kakhovka Dam destroyed by Russia:** The dam was blown up by the Russians on **June 6, 2023**, which then flooded the lower reaches of the Dnieper River. Hundreds of people were drowned and over **40 towns** and villages were destroyed. The destruction of the dam with consequent downstream flooding over a large territory was recognized as one of the worst ecological disasters in European history.

- **Grain Stolen:** Russia has stolen over **4 million tons of grain** from the occupied territories and continues to sell it on the international markets at an estimated value of over **US\$ 1 billion**.
- **Ukrainian Refugees and displaced persons:** There are over **6.5 million Ukrainian refugees**, women and children in Europe, US, and Canada and an estimated **3.7 million** people displaced inside Ukraine.
- **Russian emigres to occupied Ukraine:** It is estimated that over **800,000 Russians** have moved into the occupied areas of Ukraine, including Crimea since 2014. They are being resettled into the empty homes of Ukrainians who were killed or fled from the occupied areas when the Russians arrived.

Ukraine's Major Accomplishments in the war against Russia since the invasion in February, 2022: The war is not a stalemate and Ukraine is not losing:

Recently a number analysts and journalists (mostly pro-Russian) are saying “**Ukraine is losing the war**” or that the war is a “**stalemate**”; however, Ukraine is confident that they will win. Russia is trying to convince the USA and Europe that Ukraine will lose and that it should be forced to negotiate under Russian terms. However, the Russia military is being depleted, its army corrupt and disorganized. Its strength is a myth perpetuated by Putin and his cronies. Russia has lost major wars like the Afghan War (1979-89) and recently Syria.

Ukraine is not losing the war as they have managed the following:

- **Land:** Russia has managed to gain about 4,000km² in 2024 vs 75,000 km² liberated by Ukraine at a loss of 1,100-1,500 casualties a day with total casualties of **852,000** personnel in three years. Russian losses are unsustainable. Ukraine has damaged over **200** military facilities in Russia over the last year alone with its long range drones.
- **Sea:** The Russian Black Sea fleet has been driven out of Crimea and is now mostly ineffective due to attacks by sea drones.
- **Air:** The Russian air force have not been able to operate over Ukraine. Ukraine has integrated Patriot, NASAMS, F-16's and IRIS-T systems. Ukraine has managed to destroy most S-300/400 air defence systems along the frontier which would allow for the operation of F-16's.
- **Drones:** Ukraine has launched over 7,500 long-range drones against Russia and is producing 30,000 long-range drones and 3,000 cruise missiles this year.


Russia, not Ukraine, is heading for defeat in the air, sea and land as it cannot sustain the war against 50 countries that are supporting Ukraine. Russia is heading for economic collapse with a huge inflation of 9.5% and interest rates of 21% and its having difficulty to replace its military and personnel losses.

- **Ukraine's Kursk Offensive (2024-present):** On **6 August, 2024**, Ukraine launched an incursion into Russia's Kursk Oblast and clashed with the Russian army. The Kursk offensive surprised Russia and Ukraine occupied about 500 square km, however a portion of that has been reduced due to Russian reinforcements sent in and the deployment of **12,000 North Korean troops**.
Approximately a **third** of the North Korean troops deployed have so far been killed or wounded. Recently Korean troops have been withdrawn from the front line due to the casualties that were inflicted, however it was reported that they are back at the front.

Ukrainian goals of the operation: to inflict damage on Russia's military, to capture Russian troops (to trade for Ukrainians held prisoners) and to divert Russian forces from other fronts. Despite an all-out Russian effort, Russian and Korean forces have been incapable of retaking the Kursk oblast in over **six months** and are suffering massive casualties trying. Much of the Kursk oblast is populated by ethnic Ukrainian speakers who are not hostile to Ukrainian occupation. Ukraine's aim is to put pressure on the Russian government and force it into peace negotiations to trade land.

- **Ukraine re-occupied 54% of the land that was taken by Russia:** From the full-scale invasion by Russia, Ukraine has managed to **re-occupy 54 %** of the **18 %** estimated territories that were initially seized by Russia. Much of the land is now uninhabitable and contaminated due to craters and landmines.
- **Russian Army Casualties 2022-present:** It has been reported that over **860,000 Russian troops** have been killed and injured in Ukraine. It is estimated **360,000 killed** and **500,000 wounded**. The casualty rate approaches close to **1,500 troops** killed or injured in a day, due to mass assaults on Ukrainian defences. Most of the Russian soldiers killed were **Ethnic Muslim Minorities from Siberia** and convicts. Out of a prisoner population of **460,000** an estimated **200,000** convicts were sent to the front.

Very few citizens from Moscow or St. Petersburg are conscripted into the army as the Russian elite do not send their sons to fight in their wars of conquest. In the recent battles there have been Russian gains in Donetsk, however these advances have been miniscule.

Wounded Russians are usually left on the battle field to die. Whatever dead bodies Russians do collect are buried in mass graves and listed as "missing" in order that their families cannot claim compensation.
- **Russian defeat in Kherson:** The Ukrainian army liberated the City of Kherson in the **fall of 2022** and the Russian force of **30,000** were caught on the north side of the Dnipro River. The United States forced the Ukrainians to allow the Russians to retreat across the river as US intelligence were warned that Russia would use a nuclear strike – the risk was estimated at 50%. The Russians, after they crossed the remaining bridges, blew them up together with the **Kakhovka** Dam in 2023. This prevented Ukraine from attacking across the Dnipro River. At that time there were no defensive lines constructed by the Russians across the whole front to Donetsk. With Ukraine on the left bank of the river the Russians built the Surovkin lines on the right bank which is a series of three trench lines which Ukraine tried to breach in their counter-offensive in 2023. Before the Surovkin line was built the Ukrainian Army would have been in a position to break the link between Crimea and Donetsk and isolated Crimea completely.
- **Russian Strategic Ammunition Depots:** **Four (4)** ammunition depots recently were struck and a huge tonnage was destroyed which has affected the battle on the front line.
- **Destruction of Oil Refineries and Oil Storage Facilities:** Since late 2023 Ukraine has developed over **20 different types of long-range drones** to attack oil refineries and oil storage facilities which degrades the ability of the Russian forces at the front line. Over **14 oil refineries** out of **30 big and medium sized** in Russia have been damaged or partly destroyed and they have minimal defenses. The loss is estimated of more than **1-2 million barrels a day out of a production of 5.2 million barrels a day**.

Some of the destroyed oil storage facilities were located next to air bases that were used to fly bombers to Ukraine. Under President Biden/Sullivan Ukraine was warned against hitting these facilities, however at the end of the Presidency that directive was eased. These raids have damaged and are severely degrading Russia's economy and its cash flow.

The intent of Ukraine is to destroy all the refineries and oil storage facilities throughout Russia.

- **The Russian Air force is not active over Ukraine:** The Russian air force tried to establish air supremacy over Ukraine, however the planes have mostly stayed within Russia's own borders as Ukraine's air

defense and missiles have made it too dangerous for Russian bombers and fighters to operate nearer to Ukraine.

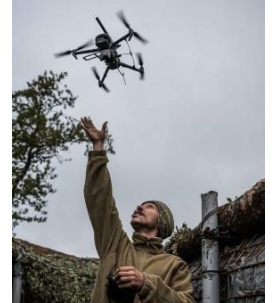
Ukraine has repeatedly attacked Russian airfields that house bombers, helicopters, and fighter aircraft with both **their own long range drones and American ATACAMS cluster munitions** which have only recently been permitted by the USA. This has resulted in over a **50% decline** in attacks. However, Russia every day launches Shahed drones and cruise, ballistic missiles to hit civilian targets and energy facilities.

Four out of nine (9) Russian AWACS spy planes were destroyed by Ukraine over the Sea of Azov in the spring of 2024. A total of **369** aircraft and **331** helicopters have been lost by Russia.

- **Ukrainian Drone Army:** Drones have become a central weapon of the war. Ukraine has produced over 2.5 million drones in 2024. Ukraine's goal is to manufacture four million drones annually. On the front line they are using about 200,000 drones a month against all the Russian Forces. Drones are extremely accurate – more so than artillery shells – and less expensive than artillery.

It is estimated that **100 different types of drones** are in use in Ukraine, ranging from toy-sized systems (kamikaze drones) to larger models with wingspans of almost 20 meters for flying long distances. Ukraine has recently developed **long-range drones with jet engines** that are hitting oil refineries and air bases thousands of kilometers away deep in Russia.

Ukraine has developed **(PFV) drones that run on fibre optic cables** that can run up to **15-20 km** and cannot be jammed by radio waves or signals. They have been very effective in destroying armoured personnel carriers and tanks. The Russians have lost over **30,000** transport and tanker trucks and now are using donkeys to get ammunition to the front line.



- **New Ukrainian weapon - SEA DRONES:** Ukraine developed a new type of weapon, the **sea drone**, which has devastated the Russian fleet in the Black Sea and driven the Russian Black Sea Fleet out of Crimea. **Ukraine's new unprecedented methods have changed the way the world navies will fight in the future.**
- **The Russian Navy run out of Crimea: 28 warships**, corvettes, landing ships and 1 submarine were destroyed and damaged out of a fleet of **44 ships** in the Black Sea. What remains of the Russian navy has been forced to relocate to the Russian port of Novorossiysk hundreds of miles away on the eastern part of the Black Sea. The **flagship the "Moskva"** and the Russian landing ship **Novocherkassk** were destroyed in occupied Crimea. The landing ship was struck by a British cruise missile and completely destroyed with 73 sailors killed on board.
- **Ukraine has broken the Russian blockage of its sea ports in the Black Sea:** In August 2023 Ukraine re-opened a western route in the Black Sea for international **shipping of grain** to the world. **Ukrainian sea drones** have kept the remainder of the Russian Black Sea fleet out of the western Black Sea region. The Western corridor carried in excess of **13 million tons** of grain from Ukraine to feed the world in the **2024 season**.
- **Ukraine has destroyed thousands of pieces of Russian military equipment since the start of the war:** The Russian equipment that Ukraine has destroyed since 2022 is in the range of **75% of their existing stock** with most of the remaining materiel rusted and unusable. The Russians have resorted to using camels and donkeys to bring ammunition to the front lines.
 - **Tanks: 10,040** - *Russia is only managing to produce 250 tanks a year*
 - **Artillery systems: 23,034**
 - **Armoured fighting vehicles: 20,894**
 - **Multiple Rocket Launchers: 22,923**
 - **Trucks: 36,800**
 - **Cruise missiles 3,054**
 - **UAV's: 25,000**

Russia has run out of armoured vehicles as they cannot replenish them to the numbers lost on a daily basis. The Russian conscripts have resorted to attacking Ukrainian positions on motor bikes and converted old Lada cars which are easily destroyed by PFV drones.

- **The War Since 2014**: Russia has been unable to capture the whole of Donbas. After the start in 2022 of full-scale war and some of the most intense fighting ever seen at **Bakhmut, Soledar, Avdiivka** involving repeated Russian mass attacks for over one year – which attacks completely depleted the Wagner mercenary army – Russia was unable to seize the whole oblast /territory of Donbas, Kherson, Luhansk and Zaporizhzhia. Three years of full-scale Russian attacks have produced very limited advantages for Russia.
- **Ukraine has survived this winter's infrastructure attack by Russia**: Russia has repeatedly attacked with ballistic and cruise missiles and Shahed drones to destroy heating plants and the electrical grid. **Eighty (80)** of Ukraine's heating plants were damaged, and it has taken time to restore them. Rolling blackouts are ongoing throughout Ukraine. Many European countries, and especially the USA, have helped, providing transformers and generators and direct supplies of electricity.

9. **Russia's Recent Largest Military Defeats:**

Many analysts have stated that Russia **cannot be defeated** due the sheer size of its military and resources in the Ukrainian war, however history shows that Russia has had spectacular military defeats.

- **Crimean War (1853-1856)**: Russia was defeated by the alliance of United Kingdom, France and the Ottomans
- **Russo-Japanese War (1904–05)**: Japan defeated Russia in this war.
- **World War I**: Russia withdrew from World War I after the October Revolution in 1917.
- **Polish–Soviet War (1919–21)**: Poland won the Battle of Warsaw in 1920, which established the Russo-Polish border that existed until 1939.
- **Independence wars for Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania**: The Red Army lost these wars between 1918 & 1921
- **First Chechen War (1994–96)**: This war was a disaster for Russia.
- **Afghanistan War (1979-1989)**: The Soviet Union invaded **Afghanistan in 1979** and the **war lasted until 1989 when the Russians were defeated** by a ragtag army of **Mujahideen**. Most of the conscripts in the Soviet army in that war were Ukrainians and Ethnic minorities from Siberia. There were a total of **60,000 casualties** in the war and **15,000 dead** in the 10 years of war. The Russians inflicted between **1-3 million deaths** of Afghan civilians due to the Invasion.

10. **Countries that Russia has invaded:**

Russia has a long colonial history of invasions throughout Siberia and Europe. The following countries since 1917 were invaded and occupied by Russia.

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| ▪ Ukraine 1918, 2014, 2022 | ▪ Lithuania 1939 |
| ▪ Georgia 1921, 1991, 2008 | ▪ Romania 1944 |
| ▪ Dagestan 1999 | ▪ Albania 1944 |
| ▪ Azerbaijan 1920,1988,1990 | ▪ Croatia 1945 |
| ▪ Moldovia 1992 | ▪ Slovakia 1945 |
| ▪ Tajikistan 1992 | ▪ Czechoslovakia 1945,1968 |
| ▪ Chechnya 1994,1999 | ▪ Hungary 1945,1956 |
| ▪ Finland 1918, 1939 | ▪ Yugoslavia 1944 |
| ▪ Poland 1920, 1939 | ▪ Bulgaria 1944 |
| ▪ Estonia 1939 | ▪ Japan 1945 – invasion of Kirill Islands |
| ▪ Latvia 1939 | |

Countries that Russia supplied weapons, military equipment and manpower:

- China 1946, 1950 – weapons, no combat
- North Korea 1950 – weapons & pilots,
- Laos 1960 - weapons
- Vietnam 1961 – weapons, crews for missiles
- Algeria War 1963 – weapons
- Egypt 1962 – weapons, pilots and crews for missiles
- Yemen Civil war 1962 – weapons
- Syria 1967,2018
- Cambodia 1970 – military equipment
- Angolan War 1975 -weapons & advisors
- Ethiopia 1972

11. A Negotiated “PEACE DEAL” with Russia?

- There can be **NO PEACE DEAL** until Ukraine regains all of its land occupied by Russia. Russia must evacuate and return to the 1991 borders as Russia had committed to honor in the Budapest Memorandum.
- **Western Apologist and Academics**: Many western apologists have suggested that **Ukraine cede land** that is occupied by Russia for a **“peace” deal**. The cessation of Russian attacks is not “Peace.” Life under Russian occupation, no different than life under Nazi occupation, is horror as experienced in the occupied territories of Ukraine. Furthermore, any cessation of armed conflict would simply allow Russia the opportunity to replenish its resources and mount a new attack to conquer all Ukraine in a few years.

A PEACE TREATY: Russia has violated around 400 treaties it has signed in history. Making treaties with Russia is seen by Russia as a weakness to be exploited. Even on the eve of its **February 2022 invasion**, Russia vehemently denied any intention to invade Ukraine but did so, violating all its previous agreements - **the Budapest Memorandum, Minsk 1 and 2**. History has proven that Russia cannot be trusted to abide by any agreements it signs.

- **Recent Treaties that Russia broke with Ukraine:** During the war from **2014** in eastern Ukraine there were **200 rounds** of negotiations and Ukraine signed **20 ceasefire** agreements with Russia. All those agreements were breached by Russia. Eg. False-flag operations conducted by Russian military intelligence, blamed the brutal murders of Ukrainians in Russia-occupied territories on Kyiv.
 - **The United Nations Charter**
 - **The Helsinki Accords -1975**
 - **Budapest Memorandum -1994**
 - **Russian Ukrainian Friendship Treaty -1997**
 - **Agreement on the Azov Sea and Kerch Strait -2003**
 - **Russian Ukrainian State Border Treaty 2003-2004**
 - **MINSK ACCORDS 1 (2014) & 2 (2015)** – brokered by France and Germany
- The only **“PEACE DEAL”** PUTIN will accept is the surrender of Ukraine and its complete occupation.
- **UKRAINE WAS “BETRAYED” by signing THE BUDAPEST MEMORANDUM IN 1994**

Any “peace” agreement with PUTIN will be betrayed again



PART B. FACTS ABOUT USA and EUROPEAN AID TO UKRAINE

1. The U.S. was not writing “blank checks” to Ukraine and the majority of the military money, about 90%, has been spent in the USA

- **USA - Total Military Assistance to Ukraine:** **-\$ 61.1 billion or \$ 20 billion a year of which \$ 51.2 billion was spent in the USA to replenish stocks that are sent to Ukraine.**
- **Most of the Military aid - is spent in the USA in (38) States for Munitions/Tactical Vehicles:** The money allocated for weapons supports American workers in the defense industry and creates well paid jobs in **38 states**. In the Aerospace and defense industry there are over **2.1 million employees** who work for over **200,000** companies.
- **Accountability for US military Equipment:** The US government established the **Ukraine Interagency Group** and more than **160** officials across **20 agencies monitor aid to Ukraine** with a budget of \$50 million. In their recent reports there has not been any substantiated waste or fraud.
- **European and allies have placed massive orders worth over \$ 100 billion for US military equipment:** **Russian arms sales have collapsed by 63%** as nations have given up on Russia as an arms supplier after seeing its massive destruction by Ukrainian forces using western weaponry. Recently even India, a former purchaser of Russian military equipment has reduced their orders of Russian equipment by 37%.
- **Europe and NATO defense industry:** The European Union is ramping up its defence-industry production in order to arm Ukraine to hold the line; however, that will take time. **Europe imports 54% of its weapons from the USA;** however, **Rheinmetall** a German armaments company has produced over **2 million** artillery shells in the last year vs **750,000** by the USA. Reliance on US arms supplies will decrease.
- **Artillery Shells Production:** One year ago, the ratio of artillery use favored Russia over Ukraine at **10-to-1**. Now it has become about **2-to-1**. A tremendous improvement. The **Czech Republic** has coordinated over the past year the purchase of an additional **1.2 million shells** from various countries for Ukraine.
- **Many NATO members** are increasing their military procurement to **2% of GDP and countries like Poland and the Baltic states are up to 5% of GDP.**

2. Types of US and European Military Aid to Ukraine:

- **USA -Type of Military Aid:** The military aid was drawn from **existing army stocks in storage**, a large portion of which was slated for decommissioning. Sending it to Ukraine and refurbishing the equipment is less expensive than storage and decommissioning costs. The US is replacing the equipment sent to Ukraine with new equipment and new improved systems.
- **The war has tested US armaments on the battlefield:** The military hardware provided is being tested in battle, something that is not possible in peacetime, allowing for design/tech improvements and future marketability to US allies.
- **Tanks to Ukraine:** **Most of the tanks supplied to Ukraine came from Europe. UK – Centurion (14) and Leopard 1& 2 (200). Poland delivered 325 tanks.** Many of the other European countries like **Romania, Bulgaria, Czechs, Spain, France, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, and Netherlands** also supplied tanks.

The USA supplied only **31 Abrams tanks in total** whilst there are **3,500 sitting** in storage out of a total of **8,100 available**.

- **F16's & Mirage Jets:** Three European nations (**Denmark, Netherlands and Norway**) have agreed to supply about **95 F-16s** to Ukraine. Recently the French have begun supplying **3 Mirage 2000-5 Fighter jets (x3)** and will increasing it to about 24. The Mirage jets have the ability to carry Scalp and Storm Shadow missiles. The USA has **841 F16's in service** which are being replaced with **F35's (450 to date)**. **No F16's have** been provided by the USA to Ukraine. The former National Security advisor (Sullivan) under President Biden stated that Ukraine did not have enough pilots to train on F16's when in fact over three years the USA offered only a very few positions in its training programs in the USA.

3. **Russia vs the West. GDP and Population comparison of leading countries vs Russia :**

The **TOTAL GDP of the US and the European Union is over \$40 trillion a year** – Russia is a mere **\$1.7 trillion** – **twenty five (25) MORE** and with a population base five (5) times greater. For relatively **modest amounts of money** supplied by the US and Europe to Ukraine, the Russian army is being destroyed and European security is enhanced.

*The Russian GDP is **7%** of the US; Russian GDP is less than that of Canada, Italy or Spain! Why is the West afraid of Russia? Would they be afraid of Canada, Italy or Spain?*

GDP comparisons:

- **Russia (GDP)** - \$ **1.7** trillion. (144 million population)
- **USA (GDP)** - \$**23.2** trillion. (332 million population)
- **European Union (GDP)** - \$**18.4** trillion (450 million pop) - **10 Times Russia**
- **Germany (GDP)** - \$**4** trillion. (83 million pop)
- **Canada (GDP)** - \$**2.2** trillion (40 million pop)
- **China (GDP)** - \$**19** trillion. (1.4 billion pop)

Russian Overseas Assets - \$300 billion:

- *Russia has over \$ **300 billion** in frozen assets in Europe and the USA. Reparations must be paid and their money must be confiscated and used to supply war materiel to Ukraine and for its reconstruction.*
- *Russia is estimated to have caused Ukraine well over \$1 trillion in damages to date.*
- *In the first Gulf war **Iraq** paid out **\$53 billion** to Kuwait as war reparations after Desert Storm in 1991.*

4. **The cost of War in Ukraine and contribution by various allies on a monthly basis:**

- Ukraine is spending \$ **3 billion** a month; USA \$ **1 billion**; European / NATO and **50** other countries contribute \$ **1 billion** a month; **For a Total of \$ 5 billion a month**

Russia is spending over \$13 billion a month on the war

5. Europe has spent twice more than the US on Ukrainian aid (military, financial and humanitarian):

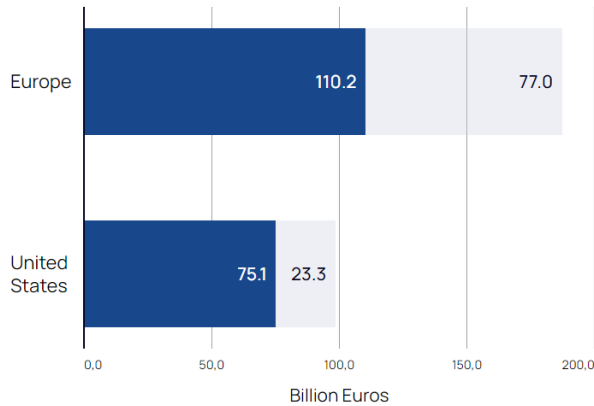
- **Kiel Institute for the World Economy:** A German Think Tank in their recent report states that the European commitment to Ukraine is **double** than that of US after including military, economic and humanitarian aid.

Government support to Ukraine: By country group, € billion



Allocations and Commitments Jan. 24, 2022 to June 30, 2024

■ Total allocated aid ■ Aid To Be Allocated

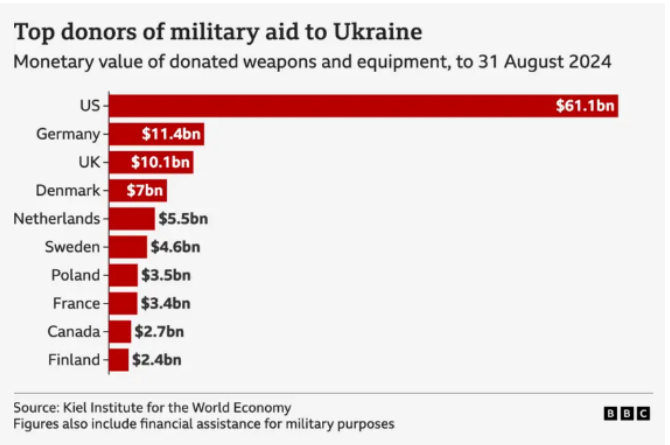


- **Europe - US\$ 195 billion**
- **US - US\$ 101 billion**
- **Other countries -US\$ 41 billion.**

➤ **Twenty (20) European countries** have provided more to Ukraine than the US as a percentage of GDP.

➤ **Canada (40 million pop.)** has provided \$ 9.5 billion in weapons, and humanitarian aid which is **equivalent** to the US contribution (332 million pop). America has **eight (8) times** population - \$ 102 billion.

6. Comparison of Military Equipment supplied to Ukraine by USA/EUROPE/NATO countries –USD to August 2024:



Total European Military Aid to Ukraine is \$ 62 billion vs USA \$ 61.1 Billion

7. Europe is far more important for the USA economy than China:

- **48%** of the world economy is accounted by **Europe and North America.**
- Europe invested \$ 3.2 trillion in the US.
- **More US goods and services are exported to Europe than to China.**
- European stability is critical to the US economy.
- Support for Ukraine (and the defeat of Russian imperialism) would stabilize Europe and strengthens its strategic alliances.

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PART C. Question: WHO ARE THE UKRAINIANS? Answer: THEY ARE NOT RUSSIANS

PART C1. A Brief History of Ukraine

1. The Origin of the Russians - Finno-Mongolian:

The **people of Muscovy** (now “Russians”) were north-eastern tribes of **Finno-Ugric people** with Asiatic elements. The Mongols occupied the Duchy of Muscovy and Moscow for **300 years** after they conquered it in the 1200’s. The Mongols intermixed with the locals and so the predominant ethnic type is **Finno-Mongolian** that is now representative of the Russian people. Muscovy role was little more than a tax collector for the Golden Horde.

2. The Ukrainian People and Nation:

In the 7th and 8th centuries BCE, the warlike, nomadic Scythians lived on the lands of modern Ukraine, as attested to by Greek historians, including Herodotus. The Scythians traded with the Greeks and fought with the Persians. Slavic tribes settled on the territory of modern Ukraine including Poland, parts of Belorussia, Romania, Moldova and the Balkans. The Slavic ancestors of Ukrainians formed a powerful medieval state called “**Rus.**”

3. (Kyiv-Rus) vs “Russia:”

The name “**Russia**” and “**Rus**” have nothing in common. Peter the Great appropriated the name “**Rus**” from Ukraine in 1721 and applied it to the territory of “Russia” (formerly called the **Grand Duchy of Muscovy**) after Muscovy had conquered the eastern part of Ukraine in the battle of **Poltava** in 1709.

4. The Origin of the Russian and Ukrainian languages:

The modern Ukrainian language can be traced back thousands of years to the Trypillian era.

Both **Ukrainian and Russian languages are very different**, it’s like comparing **German to Dutch** or **Spanish to Italian**. Maybe **20%** of the words are similar.

5. Why is Russian spoken in certain parts of Ukraine:

As part of the Russian-occupied territories of the Russian Empire and then the Soviet Empire, Ukrainians – like all the citizens of Russia’s numerous subject nations – were denied the right to live, work and study in their own language. No less true in Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan than in Belarus and Ukraine.

The **policy of Russification** was designed by Moscow to eliminate all non-Russian languages and cultures within the Empire. Accompanying this massive cultural genocide, ethnic Russians were also planted throughout the empire to control important state functions. Ukraine thus **underwent a long process of Russification** where the Ukrainian language was aggressively suppressed. No formal education in Ukrainian was allowed and no books were permitted to be published in Ukrainian. Ukrainian writers, poets and artists have been systematically killed for over a century.

6. Russian claims to Crimea:

Crimea was never historically a part of Russia. The indigenous people of Crimea were Ukrainian, Tatars (90%), Turks, and Greeks. In **1783** Crimea was annexed by Catherine the Great. In **1944**, Stalin ordered the forcible deportation of the Crimean Tatars, some **400,000 people**, by freight train to Uzbekistan. Falsely claiming the Tatars were collaborating with the Nazis, more than **100,000** of the Tatar population died on route. The deportations resulted in the abandonment of **80,000 homes** many of which were then re-occupied by the Russians – retirees and naval personnel.

In **1954**, Crimea was recognized as part of Ukraine by then Soviet President Khrushchev. In the Ukrainian Independence Referendum of 1991, **54%** of the people in Crimea voted for independence. After Ukrainian Independence in 1991, **thousands of Tatars** from Siberia and Asia returned home and were strong supporters of an Independent Ukraine.

C1 - A Brief History of Ukraine:

1. The Founding of Kyiv - Ukraine:



Saint –Sophia Kyiv

According to various archeological sources, Kyiv is at least 4,000 years old. Most great cities and Empires were established on trading routes and Kyiv was located on the Dnipro River and was a transit point to the vast territories of the south, east and west.

Kyiv was formally founded in 482 A.D. In the 800's three Viking noblemen – representing one of Europe's largest trading empires – collaborated with a nascent Kyiv to transform it into the centre of a large and powerful trade route from the Baltic Sea to the Black and Mediterranean Seas. The political state they founded, **Kyivan-Rus**, became the largest kingdom in Europe. Kyiv had a population of over 100,000 people, more at that time than London or Paris.

Christianity came to Kyivan-Rus in 988 from the Byzantine Empire under the Ukrainian ruler Volodymyr the Great (980-1015). The cathedral of Saint-Sophia, based on the Hagia Sophia in Constantinople, was completed with 40 golden domes. After a thousand years, it still stands today.

Moscow by contrast did not exist for another 400 years.

- 2. Mongol Invasion – 1223 - 1240:** The Mongol army, commanded by Batu Khan, a grandson of Genghis Khan, invaded and sacked Kyiv in 1240, killing over 50,000 of its inhabitants. The Mongol's then retreated to the east, where they established Muscovy as a vassal state of the Mongol Empire and remained there, ruling for the **next 300 years**.
- 3. Ukraine occupied and divided by Poland-Lithuania for 400 years.** From the 14th - 18th centuries, Ukrainian lands were under the rule of neighboring states, Lithuania and Poland. Ukraine became part of the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth.
- 4. The Ukrainian Cossacks -1648:** The Cossacks rebelled against Polish-Lithuanian rule, successfully liberated their lands and created an independent Ukraine with their own unique political organization, a democratic rule known as the Hetmanate. Theirs was Europe's first democratic system in over a thousand years. They chose their own leaders known as Hetman.
- 5. The Ruin – 17th century:** The period was marked by constant warfare. In 1654, Hetman Bohdan Khmelytsky entered into a disastrous military alliance with Russia against the Polish-Lithuanian Empire. The Russian Tsar **Peter the Great** then broke his agreement with Khmelytsky, signing a truce with Poland-Lithuania instead and divided Ukraine between the two Empires – in circumstances that nearly mirrored the Russian/Stalin alliance with Hitler centuries later to divide Europe between them.
- 6. Russia conquers Eastern Ukraine – 1709:** King Charles XII of Sweden formed an alliance with Hetman Ivan Mazepa, trying to free Ukraine from Muscovy's Tsar Peter I. **King Charles** invades Russia in 1707 and detours into Ukraine to tie up with the army of **Ivan Mazepa**. The Swedish and Ukrainian Cossacks forces are defeated at the **Battle of Poltava in 1709**. King Charles and Mazepa escaped to Moldova. The Tsar Peter I, thereafter cements his rule over the eastern part of Ukraine, including the Kuban region (mostly Ukrainians) north and east of the Black Sea, which became the basis of the newly created "**Russian Empire.**" **In 1721 Tsar Peter 1** changed the name of his territory from the "**Grand Duchy of Muscovy**" to "**The Russian Empire**" and declared himself as "**the first Emperor of the Russian Empire.**"

7. Of note, Vladimir Putin has compared himself to Tsar Peter and envisions their goals as identical, namely the creation of a new expanded Russian Empire.

8. **The Russian Revolution of 1917: Ukraine Independence established in 1918 -21:**



Map of Ukrainian speaking lands

Following the outbreak of the **Russian Revolution** and the demise of the Russian Empire, an **Independent republican government** was formed in Ukraine, headed by the “Central Rada,” on January 22, 1918.

Western Ukraine declared itself independent from the fallen Austrian Empire and joined the Ukrainian Republic. Ukrainian Independence was diplomatically recognized by most foreign countries on January 22, 1918. (USA, UK, Soviet Union, China, Germany, Japan, France, Poland, Europe etc.) Ukraine issued its own currency and passports.

In 1922, Lenin, in a classic Russian betrayal, having first recognized Ukrainian independence, then attacked Ukraine. Launching the new Soviet Army against Ukraine, the Russian-led forces crushed Ukrainian forces, occupied the country, destroyed its political and administrative systems, and “**annexed**” the country into Russia’s new iteration of its former Empire.

9. **Ukrainian Famine (1921-22):**

This famine was caused by the civil war initiated by the Communist party under Lenin. Moscow’s policy was to **massively export food, goods and products out of Ukraine, to crush the country, and caused three (3) million deaths.**

10. **Collectivization of Ukrainian farming and agriculture (1925-31):**

Up until the Russian Revolution in 1917 Ukraine was the “**Breadbasket of Europe**”. The communists in Moscow outlawed all private property and holdings (e.g. lands, farm implements and livestock) and forced the people to work as slave labour inside collective state farms.

Stalin issued orders for all “**kulaks**” – identified as the most successful farmers – to be liquidated. Hundreds of thousands of men, women and their children were rounded up and **sent to the Arctic and Siberia** by freight trains. Most perished from starvation and winter conditions as they were literally left to fend for themselves in the middle of nowhere with no food or shelter or tools.

11. **Holodomor -The Ukrainian Famine of Genocide (1932-1933):**



The famine in 1932 was initiated by Stalin to destroy the incessant struggles of Ukrainians for national independence. **The famine was created by forcibly removing all food and livestock** by Soviet gangs throughout Ukraine and then exporting the food for foreign currency for Moscow. Stalin closed all the borders of Ukraine to prevent people from escaping and many who tried to cross the borders were shot. Under Stalin’s orders anyone who tried to hide any grain they themselves grew or who harvested their own gardens were executed.

12. **HOLODOMOR DEATHS in Ukraine:** The estimate of death from starvation by various sources is between **4 -10 million** of which the greatest proportion were children.

When **Churchill and Roosevelt met Stalin in Yalta, Crimea** in February 1945, to discuss the end game for the war and the “**gift of Eastern Europe to Russia**”, Stalin was asked what his “**land reforms**” had cost.

Stalin replied - "Ten million people" - a figure that may well be the most accurate.

*The US Senate in 1985 set up a **US Commission on the Ukrainian Famine** to study the (**Holodomor**) **1932–33** man-made famine that killed millions in Ukraine. The Commission's final report to Congress concluded that the man-made famine was an **act of genocide** against the people of Ukraine carried out by the Soviets. Its findings were delivered to the US Congress on April 22, 1988.*

13. Ukrainians liquidated (1937-38) in the Great Terror:

Following the Holodomor in Ukraine, Stalin continued "purges" of perceived enemies in Ukraine. What remained of the aristocracy, and every educated person and successful farmer or businessmen were considered a potential threat to Soviet Russian control. Virtually all of Ukraine's **writers, painters, poets, priests, professors, teachers, government officials** were rounded up in **mass arrests and were executed or deported to Siberia.**

It is estimated that under Stalin's directions, **3 to 12 million** people from the Soviet Union were sent to the Gulag labour camps in the remote eastern regions of Russia. Many did not return. About **750,000 people** were executed by the secret police rather than internally deported – a major portion of whom were Ukrainians.

14. Ukraine in the Second World War 1939-45:

Moscow and Berlin in August 1939 signed the Molotov-Ribbentrop Pact which would carve up Poland between them and marked out their "spheres of influences" which, for the Soviet Union, encompassed Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Finland and Romania. The Nazis, however broke their agreement and invaded the Soviet Union in 1941.

During both the **Soviet Army** and the **German Army retreats in (41-44)** across Ukrainian lands, everything was destroyed – farms, buildings, bridges, factories, granary silos, homes, villages and towns – anything that could benefit either side.

- ***Due to its huge resources and fertile soils Ukraine was the prize for Nazi Germany as it is for Russia today.***
- ***Hitler classified all Slavic peoples, as well as the Jews and others as "untermenschen" – inferior people.***
- ***The Nazi plan for Ukraine – strikingly similar to Stalin's – was to kill two thirds of the population and use the remaining population as slave labor in Ukraine and Germany while the depopulated Ukrainian lands would be resettled by German immigrants.***

15. UKRAINIAN DEATHS in the Second World War (1939-1945):

- **6-7 million** - Ukrainians fought in the Red Army against the Nazis.
- **4.1 million** - Soldiers died in battle and POW camps.
- **2.1 million Ukrainians** were sent to the Third Reich as slave labour
- **4.5 - 6 million civilians** - were killed in the conflict and occupation.
- **Total 8 - 10 million dead, one of highest death rates suffered by any nation in the Second World War** including **1.5 million Jews** killed by the Nazis.

16. After the war (1945-1947), it is estimated an additional **two (2) million Ukrainians** perished due to famine.

Timothy Snyder, the Yale historian in his recent book **BLOODLANDS**, stated that between **1939 – 1945**, in Ukraine, Poland and Belorussia, the **NAZI and SOVIET** regimes **murdered some fourteen (14) million civilians.** If the German plans had not been defeated by allied forces many millions more would have been systematically murdered.

17. Ukrainians in the United States and Canada: In the US - **1.35 million** people identify as Ukrainians including **250,000** refugees. **Canada** - **1.46 million** who identify as Ukrainian which includes **160,000** ref

PART D. WHY DOES UKRAINE MATTER?

For those who ask: **“Why does Ukraine matter?” - “This is why Ukraine matters”**

- **Largest country by area in Europe** with a **Pre-war population of over 44 million.**
- **Ukraine’s industry/resources economy were 40% of its total entire of the GDP** of the Communist Soviet Russian Empire.
- Ukraine's immense wealth in natural resources includes the largest supply of recoverable strategic rare earth resources in Europe, including cerium, yttrium, lanthanum and neodymium. Including oil and gas.

Russia has attacked Ukraine to seize its vast resources to build up its Russian power base and return to its aggressive Imperial goals of controlling Europe as the European hegemon.

1. Ukraine ranks in minerals:

- **1st** in Europe in proven recoverable reserves of **uranium ores**;
- **2nd** in Europe and 10th place in the world in terms of **titanium** ore reserves
- **Lithium** – massive undeveloped lithium deposits
- **2nd** in the world in terms of **manganese ores** (2.3 billion tons, or 12% of the world’s reserves);
- **2nd** largest **iron ore** reserves in the world (30 billion tons);
- **2nd** in Europe in terms of **mercury** ore reserves;
- **3rd** in Europe (13th in the world) in **shale gas reserves** (22 trillion cubic meters);
- **4th** in the world by the total value of **natural resources**;
- **7th** in the world in **coal reserves** (33.9 billion tons)

2. Ukraine is an important agricultural country. It can feed 600 million people:

- **1st** in Europe in terms of **arable land area**;
- **3rd** in the world by the area of **black soil (25% of world's volume of chernozem)**;
- **1st** in the world in exports of sunflower and **sunflower oil**;
- **2nd** in the world in barley production and 4th place in **barley** exports;
- **3rd** largest producer and 4th largest exporter of **corn** in the world;
- **4th** largest producer of **potatoes** in the world;
- **5th** largest **rye** producer in the world;
- **5th** in the world in **bee** production (75,000 tons);
- **8th** in the world in **wheat** exports;

3. Ukraine is an important industrialized country:

- **1st** in Europe in **ammonia** production;
- **Europe's 2nd** and the world’s 4th **largest natural gas pipeline system**;
- **3rd** largest in Europe in terms of **installed capacity of nuclear power plants**;
- **3rd** in Europe and 11th in the world in terms of **rail network length** (21,700 km);
- **3rd** in the world (after the U.S. and France) in production of **locators and locating equipment**;
- **3rd** largest **iron exporter** in the world;
- **4th** largest exporter of **turbines for nuclear power plants** in the world;
- **4th** world's largest manufacturer of **rocket launchers**;
- **4th** in the world in **titanium exports**;
- **8th** in the world in exports of **ores and concentrates**;
- **9th** in the world in exports of **defense industry products**;
- **10th** largest **steel producer** in the world (32.4 million tons)

UKRAINE MATTERS. That is why its independence is important to the rest of the world.

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