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In today's #vatniksoup, I'll talk about what happens if Russia succeeds in their invasion and permanently holds the regions they now control. If this happens, there will be much more pain and suffering - without peace - for the Ukrainians in the future.

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There is now a lot of talk, especially in the US, that the West should stop sending money and military aid to Ukraine and that this only "prolongs the war and the suffering in the country," parroting Putin's words from his recent interview with Tucker Carlson.

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Tucker Carlson  
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Ep. 74 The Ukrainian government canceled elections and killed an American journalist. Congress is about send them another \$60 billion. J.D. Vance is trying to stop it.



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Josh Rogin
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.@elonmusk is now urging Americans to contact members of Congress to urge them not to support Ukraine funding:

“This spending does not help Ukraine... Having all these boys die for nothing is wrong. And it needs to stop.”

Shameful stuff. Imagine telling Ukrainians fighting to protect their families and their towns they are dying for nothing. Disgraceful.

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There has been no change in the Russia-Ukraine border for a year, just lots of dead kids.

What kind of psycho wants that to continue?

This is of course just political rhetoric and part of Donald Trump's campaign ahead of the presidential election, especially for power-hungry MAGA Republicans like @JDVance1, who criticized Trump harshly before he was politically cuckolded by him.



"I go back and forth between thinking Trump is a cynical asshole like Nixon who wouldn't be that bad (and might even prove useful) or that he's America's Hitler."
- JD Vance

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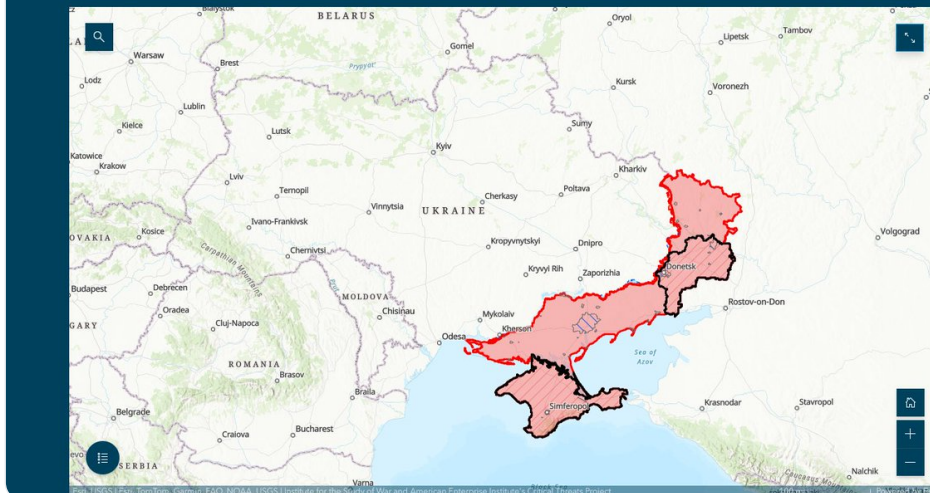
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First, these pundits often call for "peace agreement", but they never discuss what that agreement would look like. First of all, Russia annexed regions that it doesn't even fully control, including Zaporizhia, Donetsk and Kherson Oblasts.

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Second, even if such an agreement is made, it simply can't be trusted. For example, @carlbildt told he had discussion with Russian security intel, who were "hell bent" that Russia would attempt to take Kharkiv and Odesa, and set up a Kremlin-controlled puppet regime in Kyiv.

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History shows that no ceasefire or treaty with Russia can be trusted

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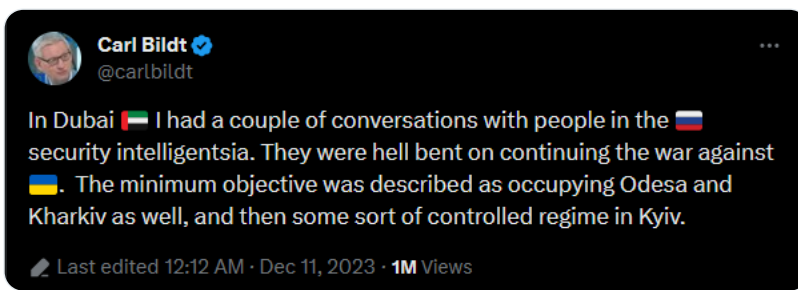
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Russian President Vladimir Putin, foreground, visits an exhibition dedicated to the key events of the outgoing Year of Teachers and Mentors at the Kremlin in Moscow, Russia, Wednesday, Dec. 27, 2023. (Gavriil Grigorov, Sputnik, Kremlin Pool Photo via AP)

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Third, if Russia gets what they want in Ukraine, they will move on to other targets. They will most probably challenge NATO's Article 5, invading small regions in Latvia or Northern Finland. This way they try to challenge the credibility of NATO and dissolve it.

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But let's examine what Russia has done in the temporarily controlled areas in Ukraine just to see what "having peace" actually means to Ukrainians. There are a lot of reports & evidence on this, for example a research published by The European Broadcasting Union in Nov 2023. 7/18

PRESS RELEASE published on 16 Nov 2023

EBU INVESTIGATION EXPOSES BRUTAL RUSSIFICATION IN OCCUPIED UKRAINE



Emiliano Bos, reporter for RSI. He travelled to east Ukraine where he interviewed internally displaced people from occupied territories

In an extensive investigation spanning several months, the EBU Investigative Journalism Network has exposed the harsh reality of Russia's aggressive policy of assimilation of territories it has illegally annexed in east Ukraine.



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Eyewitnesses and experts have revealed incidences of torture, coercion, deportation, cultural erasure, and military indoctrination in the Russian-controlled regions. For example, a former police officer was beaten with an iron club and waterboarded.



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Understanding Russia's Actions in Ukraine as the Crime of Genocide

Denys Azarov, Dmytro Koval, Gaiane Nuridzhanian ✉, Volodymyr Venher

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Abstract

The new wave of Russia's aggression against Ukraine that began on 24 February 2022, and the intensification of the armed conflict accompanied by grave breaches of international humanitarian law, has received significant scholarly attention. Many academic interventions have examined the developments in Ukraine through the frameworks of *jus ad bellum* and *jus in bello*. Some, however, have applied a genocide lens to make sense of reported numerous and widespread violations of international humanitarian and human rights law. This article contributes to the latter stream of scholarship by contextualizing the arguments for the existence of genocidal intent behind the seemingly unrelated crimes committed by the armed forces of the Russian Federation all over Ukraine. The authors pay particular attention to the language and pseudo-historical references used by Russia's leaders as a justification for the invasion of Ukraine and argue that these statements and expressions indicate the



Ukrainian Prosecutor Says Russian Atrocities Include Rape, Waterboarding



Ukrainian Prosecutor General Andriy Kostin testifies in Washington during a House Foreign Affairs Committee hearing about war crimes in Ukraine, April 19, 2023.

One of the interviewees stated that "if you don't want to be Russian, you will die. If you support the Ukrainian identity, you will have serious problems: imprisonment, death, torture." Russia also forcefully mobilizes men from the captured regions to fight against their own.

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Russia Is Trying to 'Erase' Ukrainian Identity in Captured Territories, European Officials Allege



A Ukrainian flag flies in Donetsk Oblast on Dec. 25, 2022. (AP Photo/Chris Wedel)

Frontline deaths

Forced mobilisation is “part of the genocidal nature of Russia’s war against Ukraine – another way that Russia is killing Ukrainians”, says Olena Lunova, a lawyer and advocacy director at the Kyiv-based ZMINA human rights organisation.

If Ukrainians sent to the frontlines by Russia survive, they are often captured by Ukrainian forces.

Ukrainians have stated that if you don't accept Russian passport in the captured regions, you don't get pension, food or medical services. Thus, many elderly people require medication and obtain Russian passport just to stay alive.

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The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the HelpAge International website. The logo 'HelpAge International' is on the left. Navigation links include 'Join us', 'Work with us', and '#OlderNotOver'. A search bar with a magnifying glass icon and the text 'Search' is present. Below the navigation bar, there are links for 'What we do', 'Global network', 'About us', and 'Public'. The main content area has a red background with white text. The headline reads: 'Ukraine: Older People unable to afford food, medicines, other essentials'. Below the headline, it says: 'Older women, people over 70, and older people with disabilities at greater risk.' and 'Published 23 February 2023'. At the bottom of the article preview, there is a dark red bar with the text: 'News → Ukraine: Older People unable to afford food, medicines, other essentials'.

Leonid Remyga, a medical doctor who worked in Kherson told that they were forced to give out Russian birth certificates. Everyone in the captured regions were also forced to memorize the Russian anthem and if they couldn't, they were beaten and tortured.

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Insight: They call it 'The Hole': Ukrainians describe horrors of Kherson occupation

By Jonathan Landay and Tom Balmforth

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Summary

- Residents describe detention, torture and death in Kherson
- Nine-month occupation ended on Friday as Russians retreated
- Among those detained were suspected resistance fighters
- Russia denies mistreating detainees
- U.N. officials say both sides have abused prisoners of war

KHERSON, Ukraine, Nov 16 (Reuters) - Residents in Ukraine's southern city of Kherson call the two-storey police station "The Hole". Vitalii Serdiuk, a pensioner, said he was lucky to make it out alive.

"I hung on," the retired medical equipment repairman said as he recounted his ordeal in Russian detention two blocks from where he and his wife live in a tiny Soviet-era apartment.

The green-roofed police building at No. 3, Energy Workers' Street, was the most notorious of several sites where, according to more than half a dozen locals in the recently recaptured city, people were interrogated and tortured during Russia's nine-month occupation. Another was a large prison.

Two residents living in an apartment block overlooking the police station courtyard said they saw bodies wrapped in white sheets being carried from the building, stored in a garage and later tossed into refuse trucks to be taken away.

Reuters could not independently verify all of the events described by the Kherson residents.

In addition, all children have to attend Russian schools and follow the Russian curriculum. Ukrainian children are being denied access to their own culture and their own history, and are being forced to learn the revised history of Russkiy Mir instead.

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Russian-Style "Re-Education": Ukrainian Children Are Cut Off from Their Roots

October 15, 2023

Forbidden to be who you truly are and being torn away from your roots - this is the agony Ukrainian children are put through after their deportation and occupation.



So, if you think that the "peace agreement" will bring any kind of peace for the Ukrainians, you are simply delusional. It only means that Russia will continue their forced indoctrination, regroup, and continue their genocidal war some time later.

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Russia calls Ukraine peace meetings 'pointless', says plan can't succeed

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[1/2] U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken, Ukraine's President Volodymyr Zelenskyy and Head of the Ukrainian President's Office Andriy Yarmak meet during the 54th annual meeting of the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland, January 16, 2024. REUTERS/Denis Balibouse [Purchase Licensing Rights](#)



Putin may have signalled in last week's interview with right-wing US talk show host Tucker Carlson that Russia was interested in negotiations but this would be so much on Moscow's own terms that Kyiv would not countenance such talks.

"I don't see any negotiations taking place any time soon," Fyodor Lukyanov, head of the Kremlin-linked Council on Foreign and Defense Policy think tank in Moscow, told AFP.

"There's nothing they can negotiate about."

It also means that the abduction and forced adoption of Ukrainian children to Russia will continue. Russia is desperately trying to fix their failing demographics, and according to Article 2 Section E of the 1948 genocide convention, this constitutes as genocide.

July 31, 2023

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More Than 700,000 Ukrainian Children Taken To Russia Since Full-Scale War Started, Official Says



Russian President Vladimir Putin (left) and his commissioner for children's rights, Maria Lvova-Belova, were included in an arrest warrant by the International Criminal Court over the deportation of Ukrainian children.

 **Timothy Snyder**
@TimothyDSnyder

Kidnapping children en masse and seeking to assimilate them in a foreign culture is genocide according to Article 2 Section E of the 1948 genocide convention.



From pravda.com.ua

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We can see this just by looking at what's happening in Mariupol: once a symbol of Ukrainian resistance, Russia has turned it into a Potemkin village and the Kremlin is planning to move around 300 000 Russians to reside in the city by 2035:

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National Resistance Center: Moscow plans to relocate 300,000 Russians to occupied Mariupol

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And it's not like they haven't done this before. Both Donbas and Crimea regions were turned predominantly Russian by Stalin's forced settlements. He then restricted the use of Ukrainian language and forced most schools to use Russian.




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The deportation of Crimean Tatars on May 18-20, 1944, was one of the worst examples of crimes committed by the Soviet government during World War II.

In addition, if Russia advances in Ukraine, more events like Bucha and Iziium massacres will emerge, many more Ukrainians will flee their country, and other authoritarian regimes will be emboldened by Russia's example and the West's weak response to it.

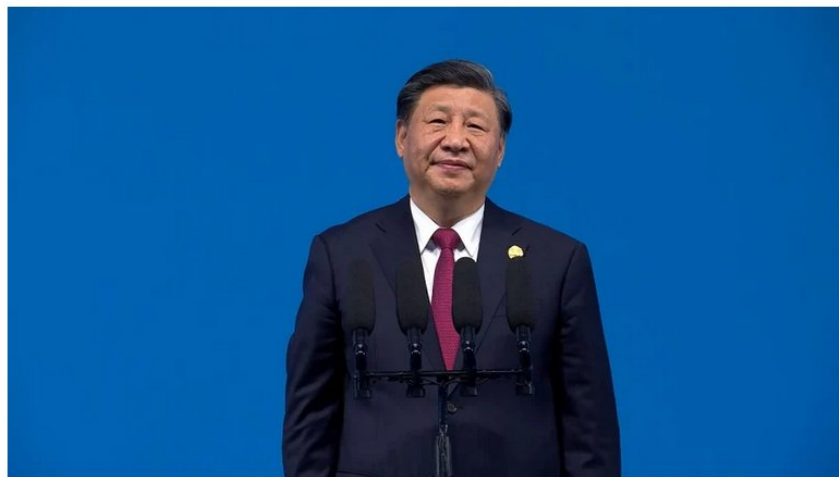
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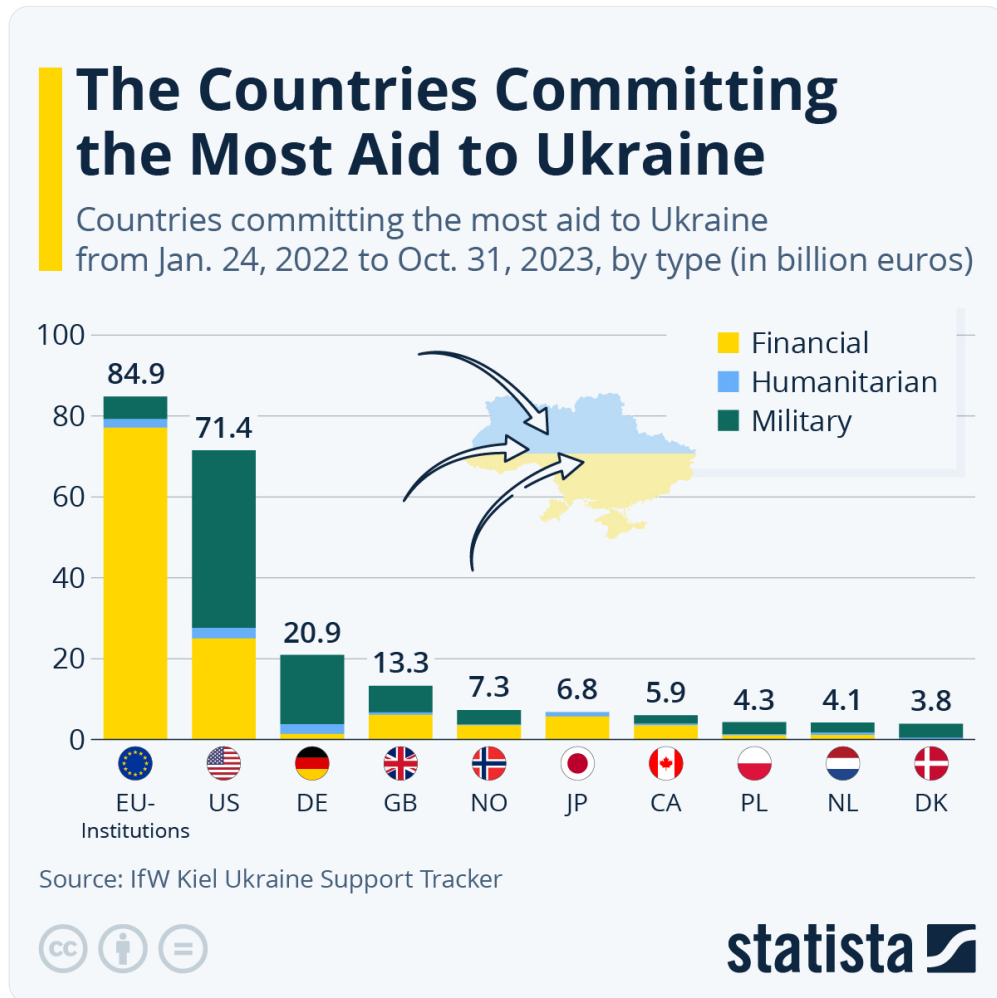
"THE WILL OF THE CHINESE PEOPLE": BEIJING'S NARRATIVE OF INVADING TAIWAN

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Written by Kuang-shun Yang.

Now, the US of course has the right to their own foreign policy and their democratically elected politicians can make whatever choices they want, but they should also remember that at the same time they're abandoning their closest allies in the West.

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Lindsey Graham 
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My statement on my decision to vote 'No' on the National Security Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2024:

"This whole process has been a complete debacle. While I support the House-passed National Security bill, H.R. 2, they were unable to get any Democratic votes in the House. It was possible to pick up 11 Democrats in the Senate if the necessary 60 votes in the House actually were achieved. Republican votes on H.R. 2, and when the Senate finally voted on the legislation, no Republican did not get any Democratic votes.

"I want to find a solution to the border crisis, not ideas that fall short.

"As to the bipartisan bill negotiated, there were many positive aspects, but there was more to be done. However, when it came to changing the bill, the fix was in. There was no desire by either side's leadership team to have a robust debate like we did with the 'Gang of Eight' bill, which lasted weeks because they wanted to move on to Ukraine.

"I have been saying for months that helping Ukraine, Israel and Taiwan are extremely important national security imperatives for the United States. Ukrainians have fought like tigers and they need more assistance. Over time they will continue to turn to Russia, and the plan to Ukraine only invites further aggression in other areas of the world, such as from China.

"However, as we have consistently saying, we must deal with our border first. The border is a national security nightmare. Drugs are flowing at record levels across our border, there have been over 7 million crossings and there is an all-time high of people on the terrorist watch list coming into our country. The border must be addressed before we can move to other areas.

"I believe the solution to this problem is the following: turning the supplemental aid package should be a loan to the countries in question, as suggested by President Trump, an unfriendly terrorist who is deeply in debt, a chance to get our money back and a chance to see the president of how well he does. President Trump is right to insist that we think outside the box.

"I hope the House will take another meaningful look at border security that it can pass the Senate. I also hope the House will turn the supplemental aid package into a loan instead of a grant.

"Until that day comes, I will be voting no."

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