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14.11

- **The USA** will announce sanctions against 42 individuals and companies that help the Russian Federation to buy weapons - US Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen. The U.S. Treasury has sanctioned major military-industrial firms in Russia and the Commerce Department has cut off exports of American-made components and U.S. technologies that have been used in some of Russia's military hardware.
- **The UN General Assembly** adopted a resolution on **indemnification** for the consequences of the Russian Federation's aggression. 94 countries voted for the resolution, 14 voted against it, and another 73 abstained. 14 countries voted against the resolution: Bahamas, Belarus, China, Cuba, North Korea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Iran, Mali, Nicaragua, Russia, Syria, Central African Republic and Zimbabwe.
- On Monday, the ministers of foreign affairs of the EU countries decided to start a **training mission for the Ukrainian armed forces**. The plans envisage that initially, about 15,000 Ukrainian military personnel will undergo training in Germany, Poland, and other EU countries.
- **Biden** considers the liberation of Kherson as a significant victory for Ukraine and declares that the USA will not negotiate with the Russian Federation without the participation of Ukraine. "We are not going to participate in any negotiations. Nothing about Ukraine without Ukraine. This is a decision that should be made by Ukrainians,"
- **UK** to transfer the first \$5.8 million tranche to the Ukraine Energy Support Fund. The Foreign Ministry of Ukraine says that Ukraine will have further support from the UK to keep the electricity on throughout the country and restore energy infrastructure damaged by Russian attacks.
- **Canada** will introduce additional sanctions against Russian citizens. These sanctions will target 23 individuals, identified as "members of the Russian justice and security sectors. In addition, Canada announced the allocation of a \$500 million military aid package to Ukraine. These funds will be used to purchase surveillance and communication equipment, fuel, and medicine.

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- The fall of the missile in Poland emphasizes the need to reach a ceasefire between Ukraine and Russia as soon as possible - the head of administration of the Orban government. At the same time, he emphasized that "the only one responsible for the war is Russia", and **Hungary** expresses solidarity with Ukraine.
- **The Croatian government** plans to approve the decision to transfer 14 **Soviet Mi-8 helicopters** of various modifications to Ukraine, expecting to receive more modern Black Hawk from the US in return.
- **Germany** supplied Ukraine with ammunition for MARS II MLRS, anti-drone defenses, demining devices, automotive equipment, spare parts and field heaters.
- **NATO's** top priority right now is to provide more air defense systems to Ukraine, said Alliance Secretary General Stoltenberg.
- The Chamber of Deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic has approved a resolution that calls the current Russian government a terrorist regime.

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- According to the results of "Ramstein-7", at least six countries announced further military aid to Ukraine. This was announced by the US Secretary of Defense Lloyd Austin. In particular, Sweden will provide an aid package worth \$287 million, which includes, in particular, air defense systems; Spain - two more Hawk launchers and missiles for them; Canada - a tranche of \$500 million in aid and winter equipment; Germany - anti-aircraft means, artillery and ammunition for MLRS; Greece - 155-mm artillery shells; Poland - additional artillery and anti-tank weapons, as well as means of short-range air defense.

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- In Lithuania, people collected funds for a purchase of a marine drone for Ukraine that cost \$250,000 and chose a telling name for it - "PEACE Dec", which sounds the same as a swear word for the end or collapse.
- Finland announced the largest package of military aid to Ukraine since the beginning of the full-scale war in the amount of EUR 55 million. Defense Minister Antti Kaikkonen has pointed out that this latest package is "the largest of all" that have been sent so far. What kind of weapons will be part of the aid package and when exactly it will be provided is not provided.
- The Swedish Parliament approved the provision of military aid to Ukraine for a record \$287 million (over SEK 3 billion). The aid package includes air defense systems, ammunition, armored vehicles, personal equipment, in particular, winter ammunition.

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- Pope Francis reiterated that the Vatican is ready to do everything possible to mediate and end Russia's war against Ukraine. He also clarified that the Vatican appreciates any glimpse that could lead to a real ceasefire and real negotiations.
- Ukraine will receive about EUR 18 billion of macro-financial assistance from the EU in 2023. And already next week, EUR 2.5 billion of aid will arrive in the country, said the Prime Minister of Ukraine Shmyhal.

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- Prime Minister of **Great Britain** Rishi Sunak arrived in Kyiv on an unannounced visit. The British Prime Minister promised to strengthen Ukraine's air defense with 125 anti-aircraft guns and anti-drone equipment, and also announced his intention to provide 16 million pounds for humanitarian aid to Ukraine.
- **Estonia** will send 27 city buses and 13 electric generators to Ukraine. It is also planned to send two ambulances to Ukraine.
- **Sweden** provides Ukraine with the **largest security package** of support, Minister of Defense Oleksiy Reznikov said. The ninth aid package from Stockholm for Ukraine amounts to three billion Swedish kroner. "This is more than the previous eight packages combined. It includes air defense systems, vehicles, ammunition and equipment for our soldiers."



- ✓ The Russian Army is concentrating its efforts on restraining the actions of the Defense Forces in certain areas, while at the same time, it is conducting offensive operations in the Bakhmut, Avdiiv, and Novopavliv areas. It continues to strike critical infrastructure and civilian homes in violation of International Humanitarian Law, the laws and customs of war. In particular, this week Ukraine experienced the most massive missile attack since February 24. The Republic of Belarus continues to support the armed aggression of the Russian Federation against Ukraine.

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| 15.11 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ As of November 14, the Ukrainian Armed Forces liberated 52.5% of the territories of Ukraine captured by the Russian Federation after February 24. ➤ The Russian occupation troops in the Kherson region are advancing 15-20 km deep from the established lines on the left bank of the Dnipro in order to protect themselves from the shelling of the Armed Forces of Ukraine, but the Southern Forces are taking enemy logistics under fire control, - reported today by Natalia Humeniuk, Head of United Coordinating Press Center of Security and the Defense Forces of South of Ukraine. ➤ Around 2:30 p.m. on November 15, the Russians struck the territory of Ukraine with air and sea-based missiles. In total, the Russians launched 96 missiles. The target was the energy infrastructure of Ukraine. Ukrainian air defense forces destroyed 73 missiles and 10 kamikaze drones. Despite the high effectiveness of repelling attacks, there is still a catastrophic lack of air defense equipment in Ukraine, because Ukraine is a territorially large state. <i>"That's why we cover certain areas, constantly move and maneuver,"</i> - said by Yuriy Ignat, Spokesperson for the Air Force Command of Ukraine's Armed Forces. ➤ It is possible to improve the level of Ukrainian air defense with the help of NASAMS systems, which are in service with 12 countries. <i>"It would be appropriate if these countries could provide these systems. We also hope for Patriot systems,"</i> added the Spokesperson for the Air Force Command. |
| 16.11 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ In 15 days of November, the Ukrainian Armed Forces liberated about 200 settlements, - reports the Ukrainian Ministry of Defense. "Now the Defense Forces are gradually advancing in several directions. This can be said about the Kharkiv region, Luhansk region, and the south. In November, about five thousand square kilometers and about 200 settlements were liberated in the south", - reported the deputy Minister of Defence of Ukraine Hanna Malyar. At the same time, she emphasized that the enemy, who has advanced deep into the territories, continues to strike the liberated settlements. According to Malyar, the fiercest battles continue in the Donetsk region, where several dozen enemy attacks take place every day. |
| 17.11 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ On November 17, Russia again struck the territory of Ukraine with Tu-95MS strategic bomber from the Volgodonsk district of the Rostov region. Up to 18 Kh-101/Kh-555 cruise missiles were fired from 9 missile-carrying bombers. ➤ The targets of the enemy were an enterprise in the Dnipro region and objects of the gas production industry of Ukraine. ➤ The Armed Forces of Ukraine control the territory near the temporarily occupied Crimea. According to Deputy Chief of the Main Operational Department of the General Staff, Oleksiy Gromov, the Ukrainian military has indeed reached the coast of the Dnipro. It allows controlling the territory close to the temporarily occupied peninsula. <i>"Artillery soldiers and soldiers of the Armed Forces of Ukraine in general are doing everything possible to hit the enemy at the maximum range of our weapons,"</i> - noted by Gromov. |
| 18.11 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The Russian Federation may transfer part of the troops withdrawn from Kherson to the Bakhmut direction in the Donetsk region, - suggested by British intelligence. ➤ Units of the Russian army have already built new trench systems near the border with Crimea, as well as near the Siverskyi Donets River between the Donetsk and Luhansk regions. Some of these defensive lines are located 60 km from the front line, according to intelligence. |
| 19.11 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Part of the Russian army is transferred from the Kherson region to the Luhansk region. The movement of separate units of the Russian occupation forces has already been recorded in Novoaydar. ➤ On the Kinburn spit, the Armed Forces of Ukraine struck the area of concentration of enemy manpower, weapons and equipment. It was the place from where Russians fired at port tugs and grain barges in the Dnipro-Bug estuary. ➤ According to detailed information, in the period from November 10 to 16, about 500 wounded servicemen of the Russian occupation forces, most of whom were recently mobilized, were brought to the hospital from the direction of Mayorsk to the city of Horlivka. ➤ Fire damage to the enemy's concentration area in the Mykhailivka settlement of the Skadovsky district has been confirmed. Personnel losses amounted to 40 dead and 70 wounded. They were taken to hospitals in the temporarily occupied territory of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea. |

| Losses of the Russian army from 14.11.2022 to 21.11.2022 | |
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| Liquidated personnel | 3740 |
| Tanks | 52 |
| IFVs | 80 |
| Artillery systems / MLRS | 43/0 |
| Anti-aircraft warfare systems | 3 |
| Aircraft / helicopters | 0 |
| UAVs | 30 |
| Vehicles & fuel tanks | 83 |
| Special equipment | 1 |

✓ During the week, Russians conducted **143 missile and 86 air strikes**, and made over **361 attacks from MLRS**.

Attack on November 15

On November 15, Russia carried out **the largest attack in the history of the energy sector**, which affected all regions of Ukraine. Massive blackouts began throughout Ukraine. Most hits were in the center and north of the country. Air defense forces shot down **73 cruise missiles and 10 Shahed-136 drones**, which were launched from the Caspian and Black Seas, as well as from the Rostov region of the Russian Federation. Almost 50% of Ukraine's energy system is out of order due to shelling by Russian occupiers. Critical infrastructure facilities were hit in Lviv, Kharkiv, Rivne, Zhytomyr, Kremenchuk district in the Poltava region, Kropyvnytskyi district in Kirovohrad region, Khmelnytskyi, Volyn, Vinnytsia regions. One person was injured in Lviv.

Russian missiles hit two residential buildings in Pechersk district in Kyiv. Rescuers found the body of one dead person. In the Kyiv region, a Russian missile killed a resident of Plesetske village. The 69-year-old woman was at the cemetery, honoring the memory of her husband who died due to a fatal wound from a rocket fragment.

Attack on November 17

On November 17, Russia carried out a massive shelling of **gas production infrastructure** in eastern Ukraine. Russia launched up to **18 X-101/X-555 cruise missiles and 5 drones**. Ukrainian air defense shot down 4 X-101 missiles, 5 Shaheds and 2 guided missiles.

In **Dnipro**, several hits were recorded on two infrastructure facilities. The missiles hit two districts of the city. **23 people were wounded**. 15 of them are in hospital. Damage was inflicted on an industrial enterprise, houses, a trolleybus and a busy street. Prime Minister Denys Shmyhal believes that Russia is striking at Ukrainian gas production, in particular at the Pivdenmash enterprise. A strong fire broke out there.

An infrastructure facility in **the Odesa region** was damaged by a missile strike. It is known about three wounded. A logistics facility was hit in the center of Odesa. One person was injured. The blast wave damaged the buildings of the surrounding enterprises. The attack was carried out from the Black Sea, using Kalibr missiles with tactical aviation: all six missiles were shot down by air defense forces.

Russian occupants launched missile strikes on the critical infrastructure of the Izium district of the Kharkiv region. Three workers were injured.

- From November 11 to 17, Russia launched **148 missile strikes against Ukraine**. 111 of them - on November 15. In total, 102 air targets have been shot down since November 11.
- In addition to massive strikes on November 15 and 17, every day during the week the regions of Ukraine were shelled.

Donetsk oblast

The Donetsk region is being shelled along the entire frontline. Vuhledar and Novoukrainka are under fire in the Volnovakha sector. Private houses were damaged. In the Donetsk sector Avdiivka, Maryinka and Ocheretyne communities are undergoing destruction. **Avdiivka and Kurakhove** are particularly affected: high-rise buildings, a kindergarten and an administrative building were damaged.

In the Horlivka sector Soledar, Toretsk and Svitlodarsk communities are under fire. **Bakhmut** suffered the most: the premises of the Center for Children and Youth were destroyed, private houses were damaged.

Other regions

Civilian infrastructure of the Orikhiv, Gulyaypole, Pologiv and Vasyliv districts of the **Zaporizhzhia region** came under Russian fire. Settlements in the Zaporizhzhia district were also subjected to rocket attacks. Power lines, civilian buildings, including a two-story residential building, and a culture house were damaged. Two people were killed. On the night of November 17 in **Vilnyansk**, Zaporizhzhia region, occupiers hit a **residential building**. The bodies of **10 dead people** were found under the rubble.

In the evening of November 18, Russians struck an industrial **infrastructure facility in Zaporizhzhia** - one person was killed. The district heating pipeline was damaged. **The IAEA** reported heavy shelling of Zaporizhzhia NPP that continued in the evening of November 19 and in the morning of November 20. There were at least **12 hits on the territory of ZNPP**. The Russians targeted and disabled exactly that infrastructure which was necessary for the launch of power units 5 and 6 and the resumption of electricity production at ZNPP for the needs of Ukraine.

Russians continue to terrorize the **Dnipropetrovsk region**. Marhanetska, Chervonohryhorivska, Nikopolska and Myrivska communities are under constant shelling. Multi-storeyed and private houses, commercial enterprises, outbuildings, college, cars, gas lines, power lines were damaged.

The enemy continues to strike **Kharkiv and the region**. Three missiles arrived in the city. An industrial facility was damaged in the Industrial district. Gas industry equipment was damaged in the Izium district. During the elimination of the strike consequences, 8 people were injured - workers and policemen. In addition, Russians struck at settlements on the frontline: Kupiansk (two wounded), Chuhuiv, Kharkiv districts.

The occupiers shelled the Ochakivska and Kutsurubka communities of the **Mykolaiv region** with MLRS. There were no destructions and no casualties. **During the day of November 15, for the first time in more than 4 months, there was not a single arrival in the Mykolaiv region.**

In the **Kherson region**, Russians shelled the areas of Kachkarivka, Tokarivka, Antonivka, Chornobaivka and the city of Kherson with tanks, cannons and rocket artillery. On November 19, the occupants **shelled a humanitarian point** during the distribution of bread in Bilozerk, Kherson region. As a result of the shelling, 5 people were wounded.

Russians shelled with artillery a critical infrastructure enterprise in the **Sumy region**, a total of 19 explosions were recorded on its territory. As a result of the shelling, three workers were hospitalized with shrapnel wounds. In the evening of November 18, the occupiers opened artillery fire on the border of the Znob-Novgorod community - 13 "arrivals" on the outskirts of one of the villages.

Kyiv, 15.11



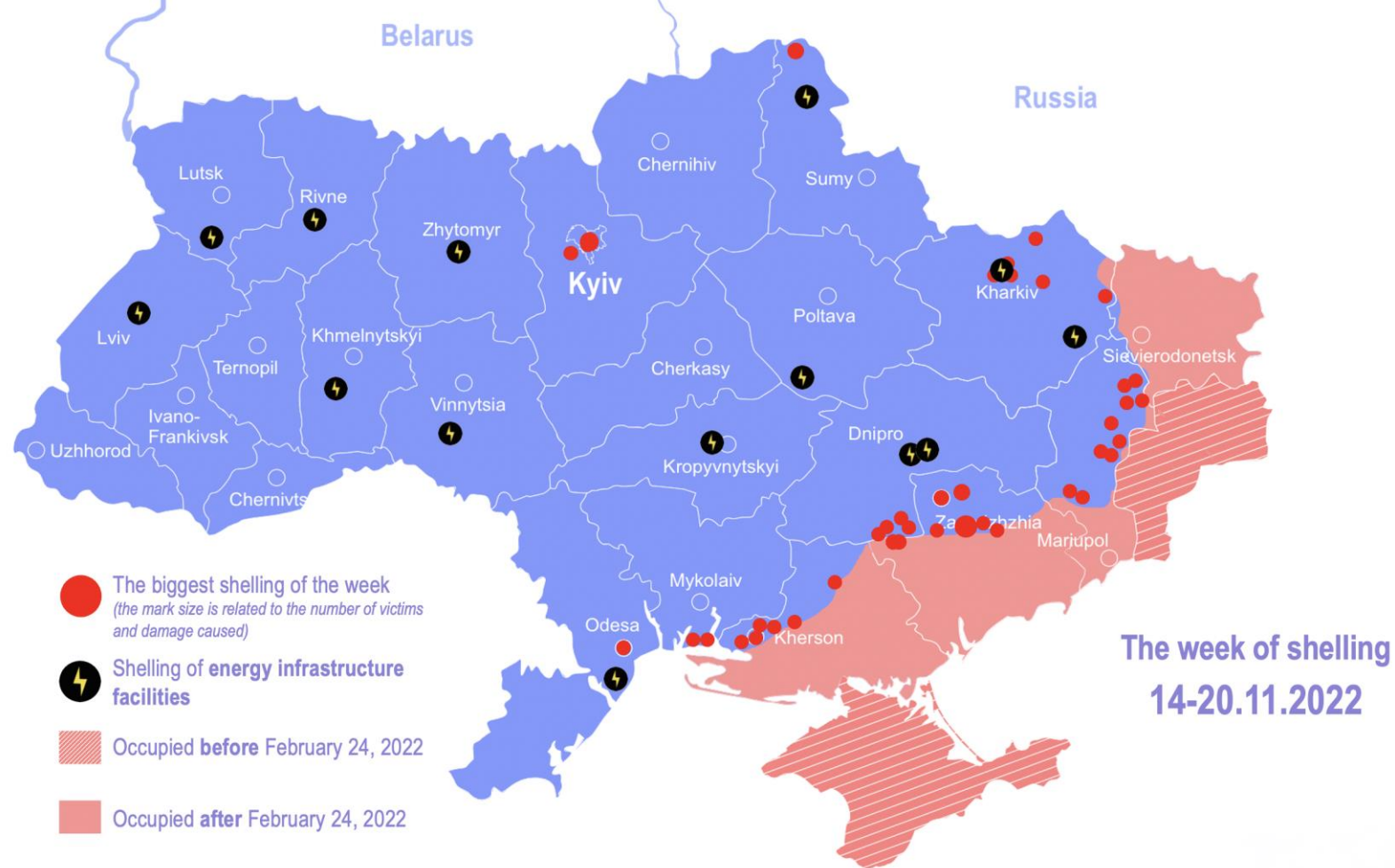
Kyiv region, 15.11







Vilnyansk, Zaporizhzhya region, 17.11



Dnipro, 17.11



-  The biggest shelling of the week
(the mark size is related to the number of victims and damage caused)
-  Shelling of energy infrastructure facilities
-  Occupied **before** February 24, 2022
-  Occupied **after** February 24, 2022

The week of shelling
14-20.11.2022

Humanitarian crisis

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| 14.11 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The Russian invaders have "nearly destroyed" the power facility that provided power supply to the entire right bank of the Kherson region and a significant part of the Mykolaiv region. |
| 15.11 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Due to a power failure, the first base stations of mobile operators in Kherson operate on generators and Starlink terminals. ➤ President Volodymyr Zelensky said that, according to official data only, the Russian invaders deported 11,000 Ukrainian children to Russia. |
| 16.11 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Minister of Environmental Protection and Natural Resources of Ukraine Ruslan Strilets called on international partners to create a global platform for assessing environmental damage as a result of the war. "We have registered more than 2,200 environmental crimes of Russia on the territory of our state. The damage to our environment is already over 38 billion euros, and every day of the war increases this amount. And the direct damage to the climate as a result of Russian aggression is at least 33 million tons of CO2 into the atmosphere." |
| 17.11 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ On November 6, the Verkhovna Rada generally supported a vital bill to facilitate volunteer activities in order not to pay taxes on funds raised for the needs of the Armed Forces of Ukraine. ➤ More than a quarter of the companies registered after the war are headed by women. Also, women have made up about half of the new sole proprietors. At the same time, the most significant number of women lead enterprises in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the Donetsk region, • the Kherson region, and • the Luhansk region. ➤ President Volodymyr Zelensky said that, as of the evening of November 17, more than 10 million Ukrainians are without electricity in Ukraine. The widespread destruction of Ukraine's energy facilities, caused by Russia on November 15 and 17, can lead to power outages for several days and "planned switching-on" (that is, switching on lights in some areas for only a few hours). Almost half of Ukraine's energy system has been disabled because of Russian missile strikes on critical and civilian infrastructure, said Prime Minister Shmyhal. ➤ Two Ukrainian nuclear power plants – Khmelnytskyi (KhNPP) and Rivne (RNPP) – were damaged by massive Russian shelling on November 15. According to the IAEA, KhNPP lost full access to the power grid for more than 9 hours. During the power outage, two KhNPP reactors were shut down. |

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| 17.11 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The Ukrainian Parliament Commissioner for Human Rights Dmytro Lubinets is shocked by the scale of torture that the Russian invaders used against civilians in the Kherson region. He claims that two torture rooms have already been discovered in Kherson, where dozens of people were tortured. There are confirmed facts that victims were killed after being tortured. Direct speech: "People were electrocuted, beaten with metal pipes so that their bones got broken; and all this was happening with the camera on, that is, the Russians filmed all that." ➤ Russians began openly advertising the forced adoption of Ukrainian children. The videos also claim that Russian officials took more than 150,000 children from the Donbas area in 2022. The ISW accentuates that "the programs of forced adoption and deportation of children under the guise of vacation and rehabilitation probably form the basis of a massive Russian campaign for depopulation, which may constitute a violation of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide and are more comprehensive efforts for ethnic cleansing." ➤ The Ministry of Economy does not rule out the need to revise the macroeconomic forecast by the end of the year in connection with massive missile strikes on energy facilities. |
| 18.11 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ According to statistics from the Epicentr chain of stores, the demand for generators has increased tenfold, and power banks are bought 16 times more often. ➤ More than 30% of the territory of Ukraine is mined – State Emergency Service. In terms of scale, it is like two territories of Austria. "The area and volume of mining on the territory of Ukraine increased 10 times after February 24," said the head of the State Emergency Service Serhii Kruk. |
| 20.11 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ On Sunday morning, there were 12 hits on the territory of the Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Station, as Energoatom reports. The Russians struck and disabled exactly the infrastructure that was necessary to launch power units 5 and 6 and restore electricity production at Zaporizhia NPS for the needs of Ukraine. ➤ The Deputy Minister of Economy of Ukraine Tetiana Berezhna stated during the Polish-Ukrainian Economic Forum that at least 5 million people in Ukraine have lost their jobs. |

