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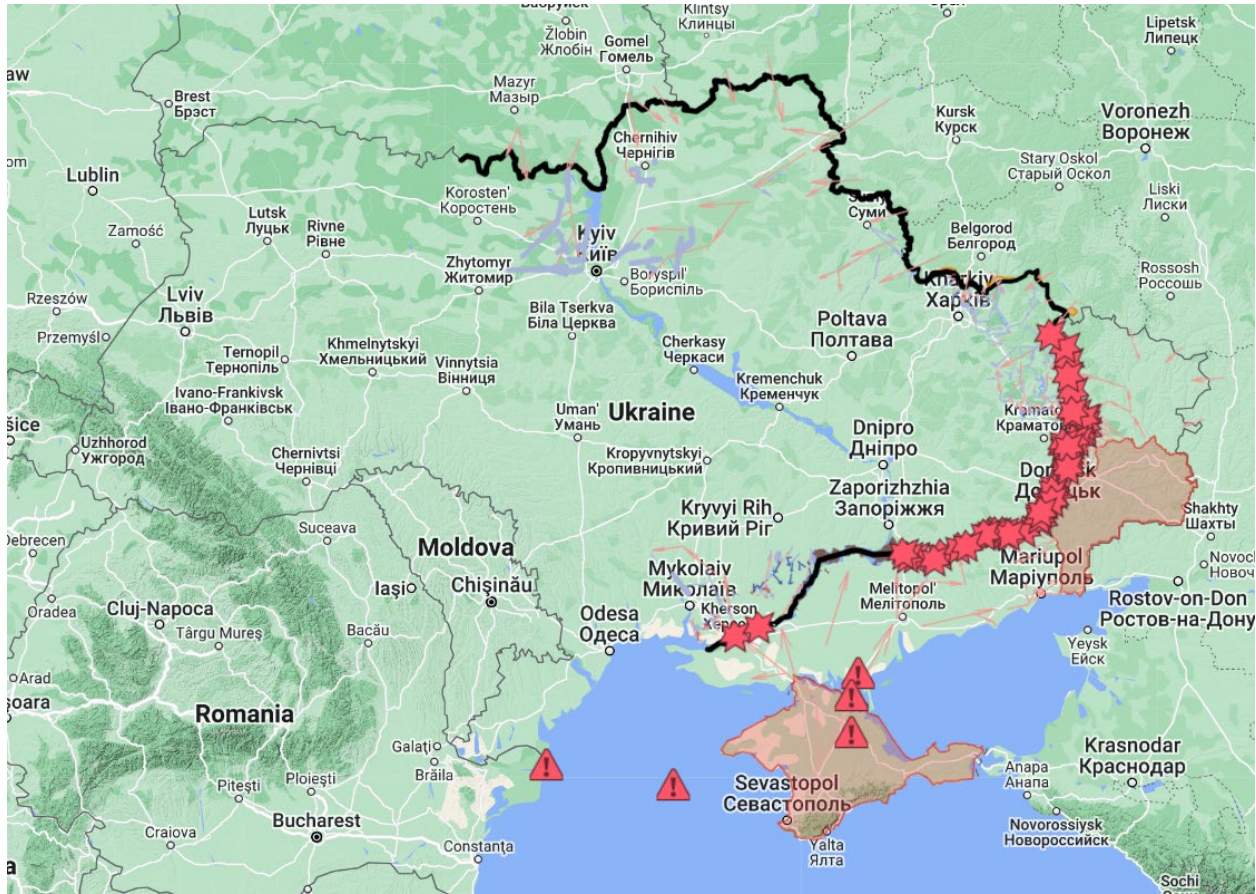
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REPORT – DAY 506

It has been 3,426 days since Russia occupied the Crimea Peninsula on January 27, 2014, and one year and 141 days since Russia expanded its war against Ukraine. The July 15, 2023 report is condensed and combat only.

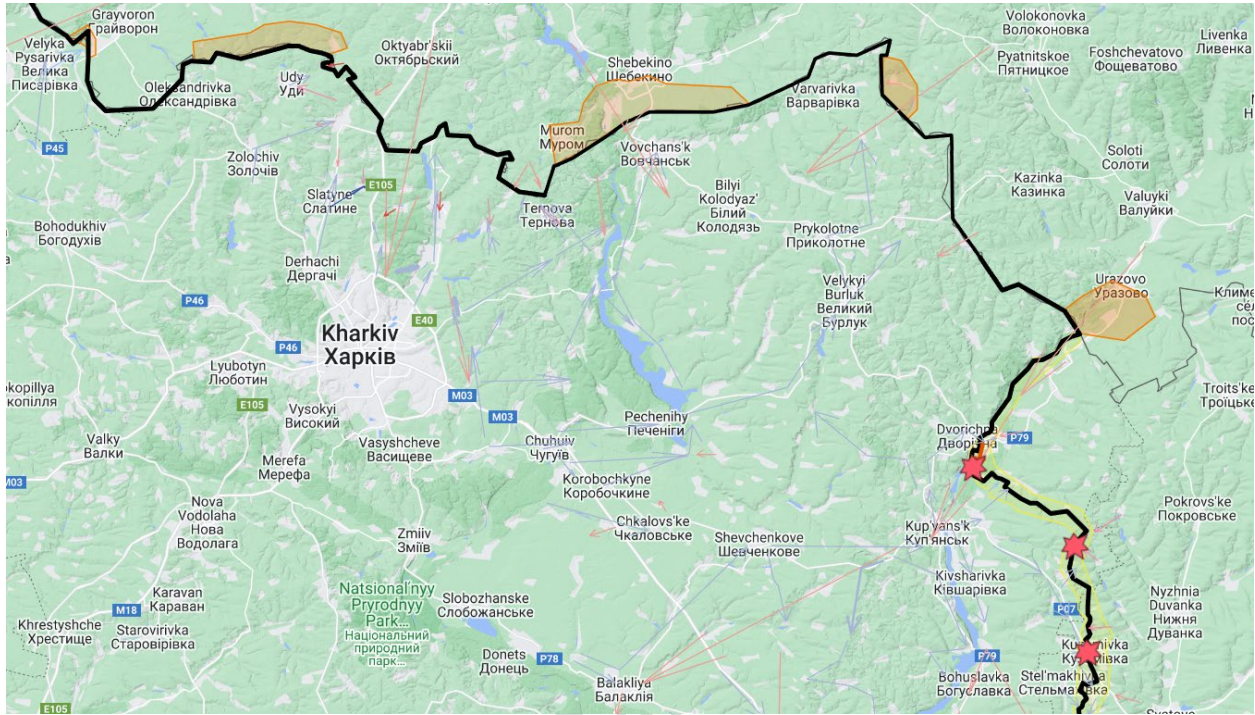
TODAY'S WAR IN UKRAINE MAP



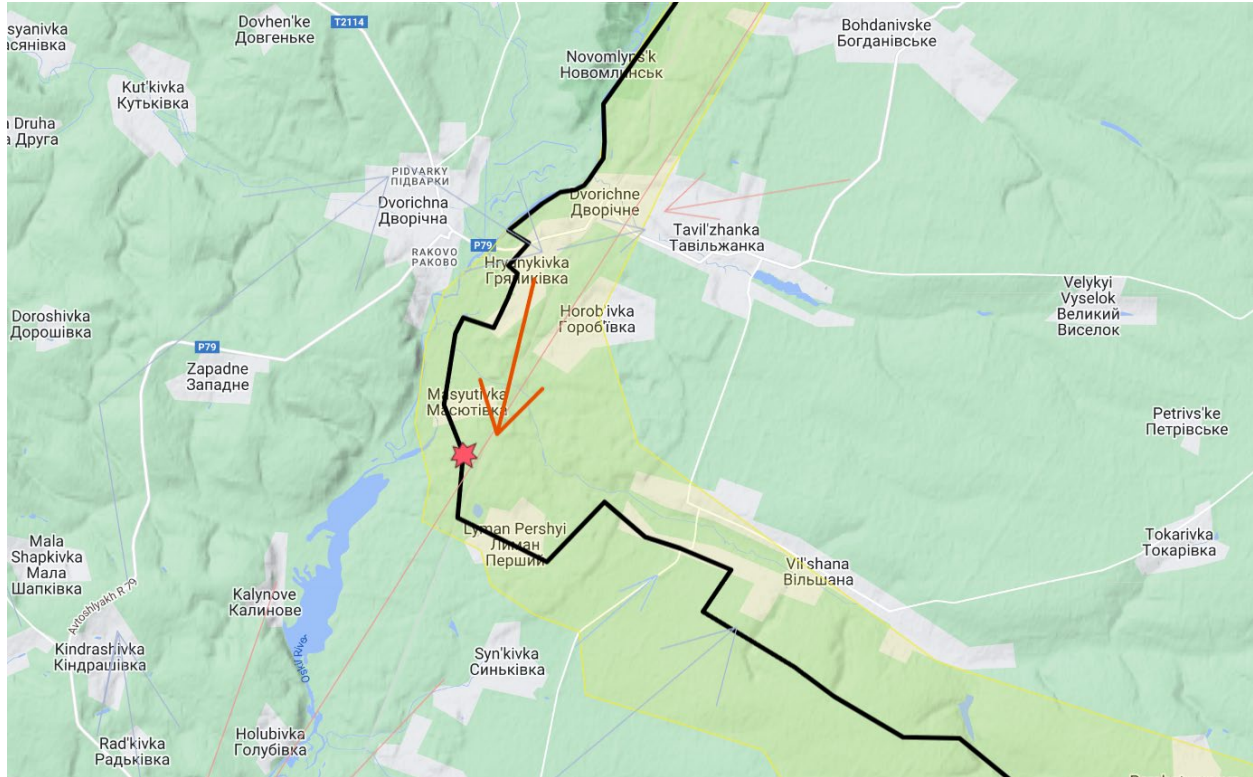
About the maps: Red triangles are sites of significant events unrelated to missile attacks, insurgencies, or ground combat, such as the sinking of the Moskva and the explosion at the Saky Naval airbase. Gray circles indicate an area where fighting has ended with no change in the line of conflict. The archived offensive layer is turned off by default, but you can toggle it on/off in the Map Legend. If you see a settlement name highlighted [like this](#), it is a link to our war map that will take you to the location explained in the Situation Report.

[Russia-Ukraine War Report Map](#)

KHARKIV



Condensed Report



Dvorichna Operational Area

Ukrainian source DeepState reported positional fighting was ongoing near [Masyutivka](#), with no change in the situation.¹

Russian launched four S-300 anti-aircraft missiles used for a ground attack on Kharkiv. Two missiles experienced an unexpected disassembly in flight. The other two landed in the Shevchenkivskyi District, hitting the field at an outdoor stadium and a roadway. No injuries were reported, but the

¹ <https://t.me/DeepStateUA/16578>



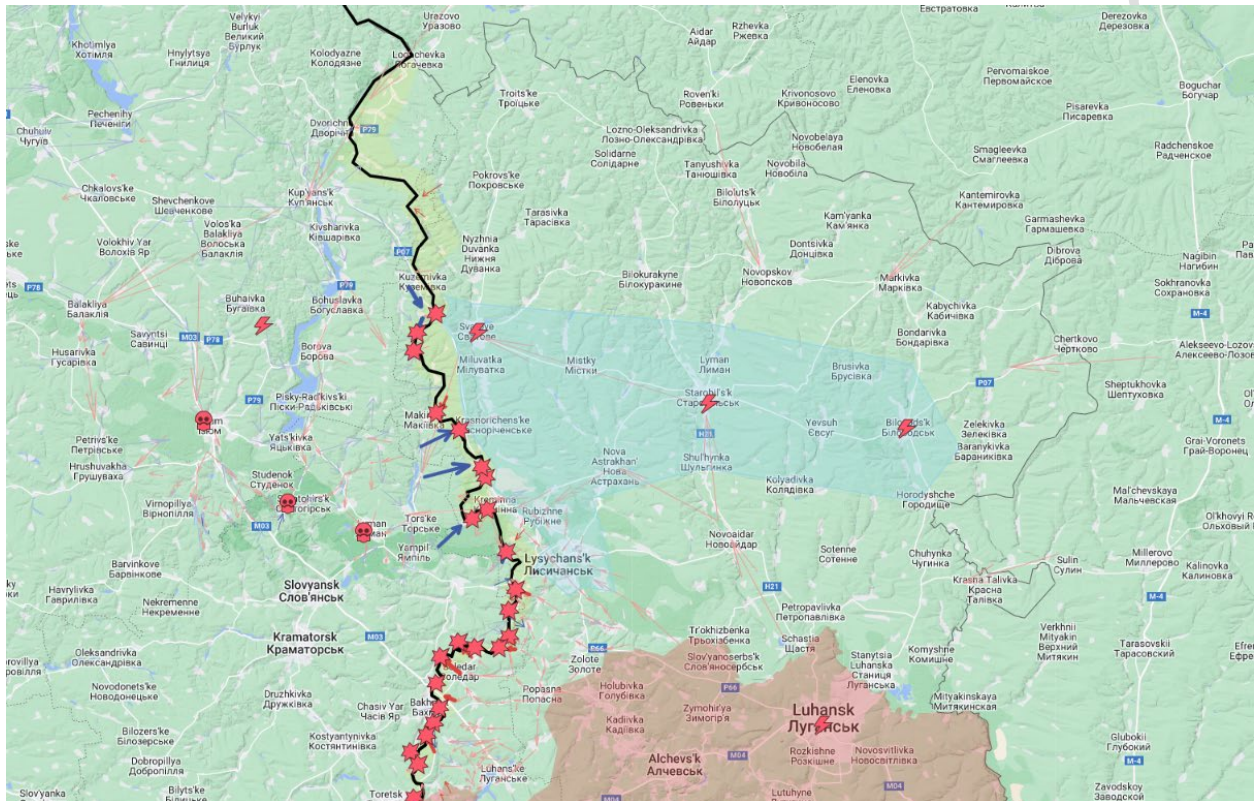
concussion shattered windows in nearby apartment buildings.²

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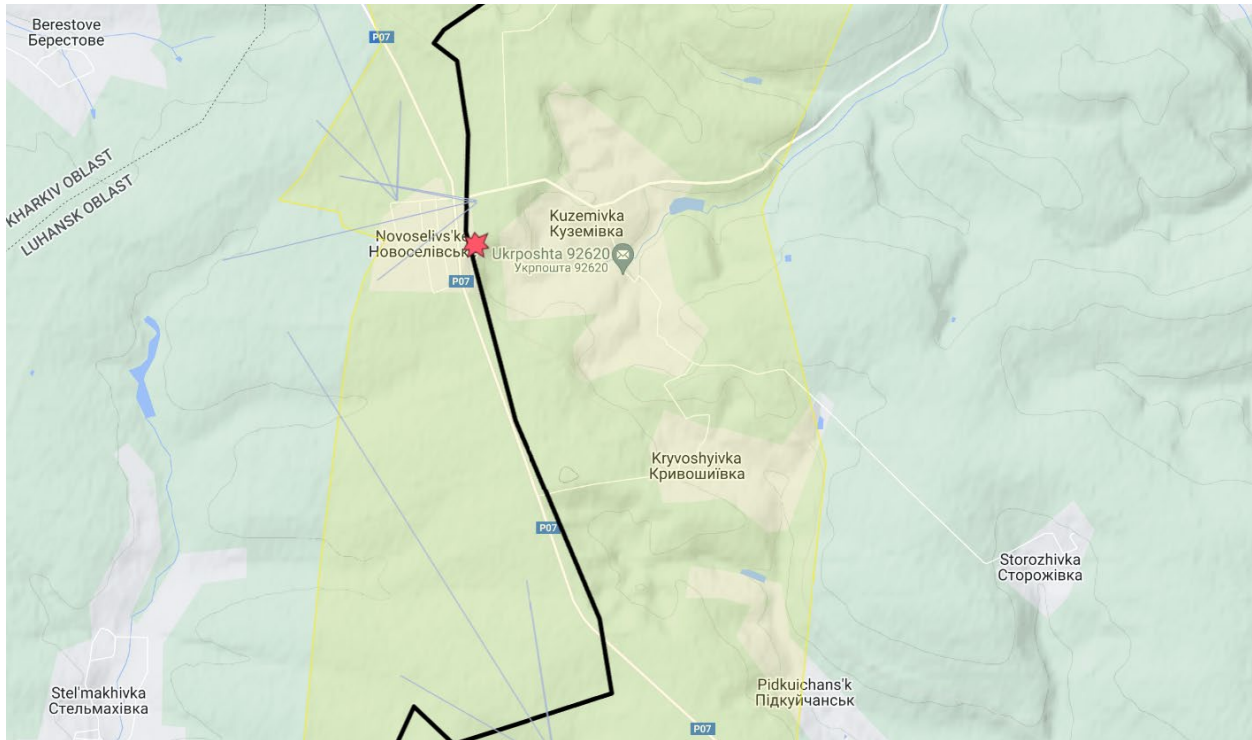
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DONBAS REGION

LUHANSK



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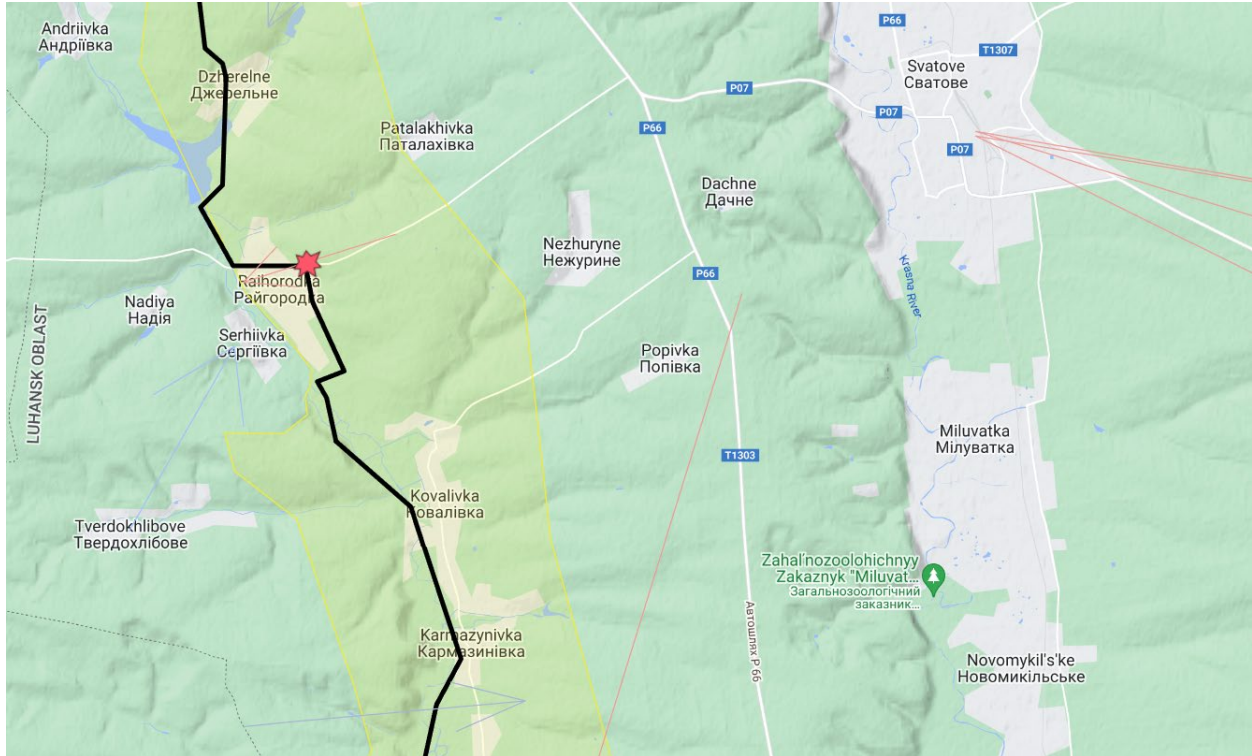


Svatove Operational Area

The only map update of the day was in Novoselivske, where we reduced the gray area west of the settlement and moved the line of conflict back to the railroad tracks. Mutual fighting was reported by Russian and Ukrainian sources in [Novoselivske and Kuzemivka](#).^{3 4}

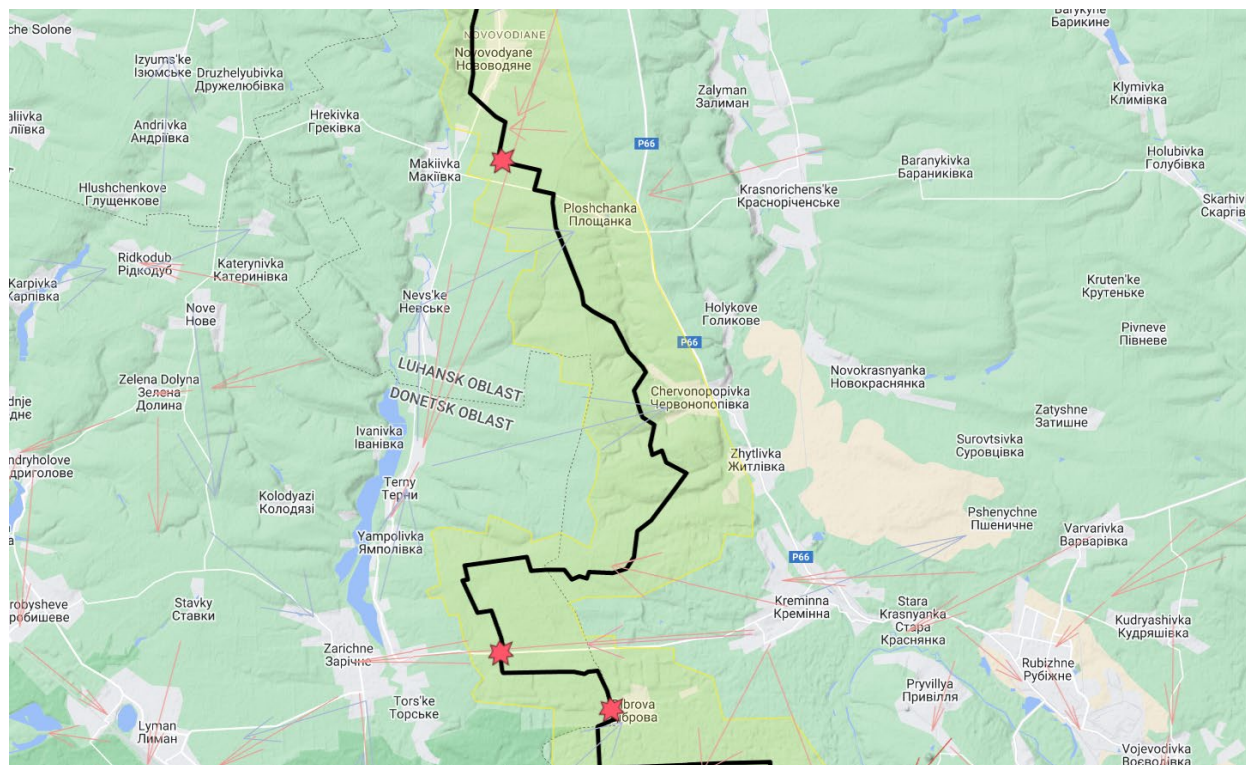
³ [General Staff of the Armed Forces of Ukraine – PM Facebook Report](#)

⁴ <https://t.me/DeepStateUA/16578>



Russian mercenary milblogger Rybar reported that Ukrainian forces continued offensive operations west of [Karmazynivka](#).⁵

⁵ <https://t.me/rybar/49727>



Kreminna Operational Area


The Russian Ministry of Defense (RMD) reported that Ukrainian forces were on the offensive from the direction of [Makiivka](#) and the forested belts east of [Kreminna](#).⁶ The General Staff of the Armed Forces of Ukraine (GSAFU) reported that Russian forces continued attacks east of [Novosadove](#), with no change in the situation.⁷ Mutual fighting was reported in the forest areas near [Dibrova](#), with

⁶ https://t.me/mod_russia/28366 [Russian Federation controlled social media channel]

⁷ [General Staff of the Armed Forces of Ukraine – AM Facebook Report](#)

no significant changes.^{8 9 10}

Occupied Luhansk

The city of Luhansk with hit by multiple Storm Shadow cruise missiles, with  [multiple explosions reported](#) by Russian social media, milbloggers, local officials, and residents.^{11 12}

⁸ [General Staff of the Armed Forces of Ukraine – AM Facebook Report](#)

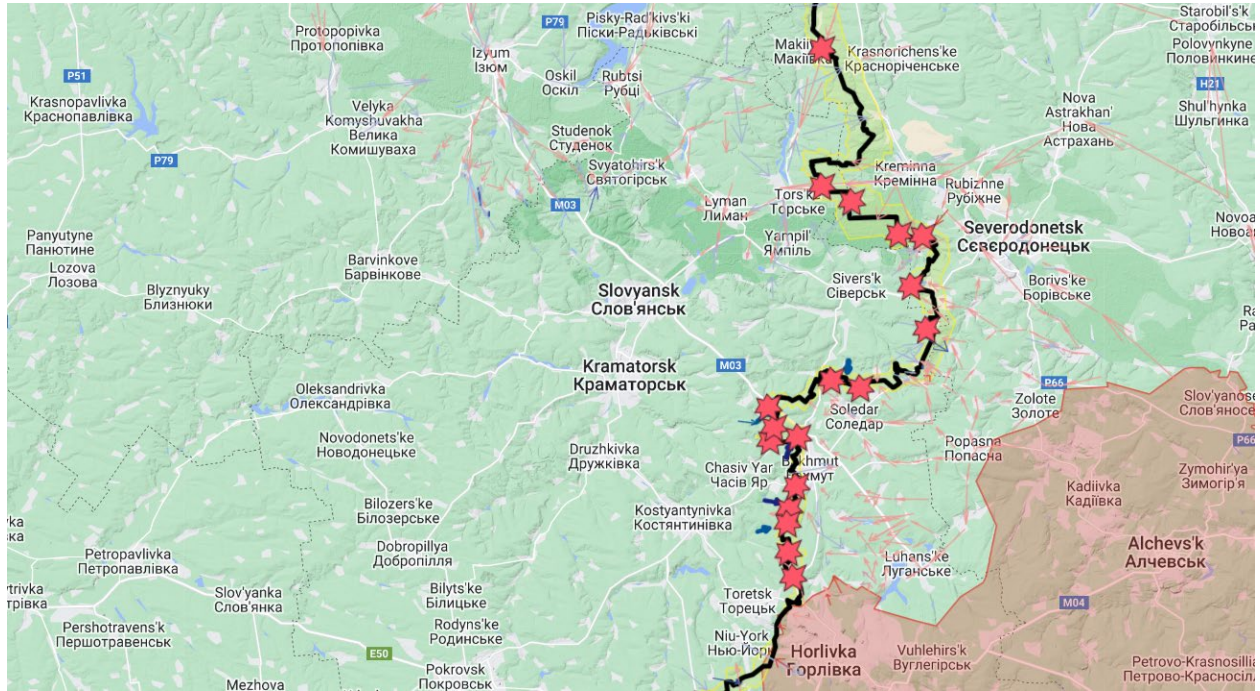
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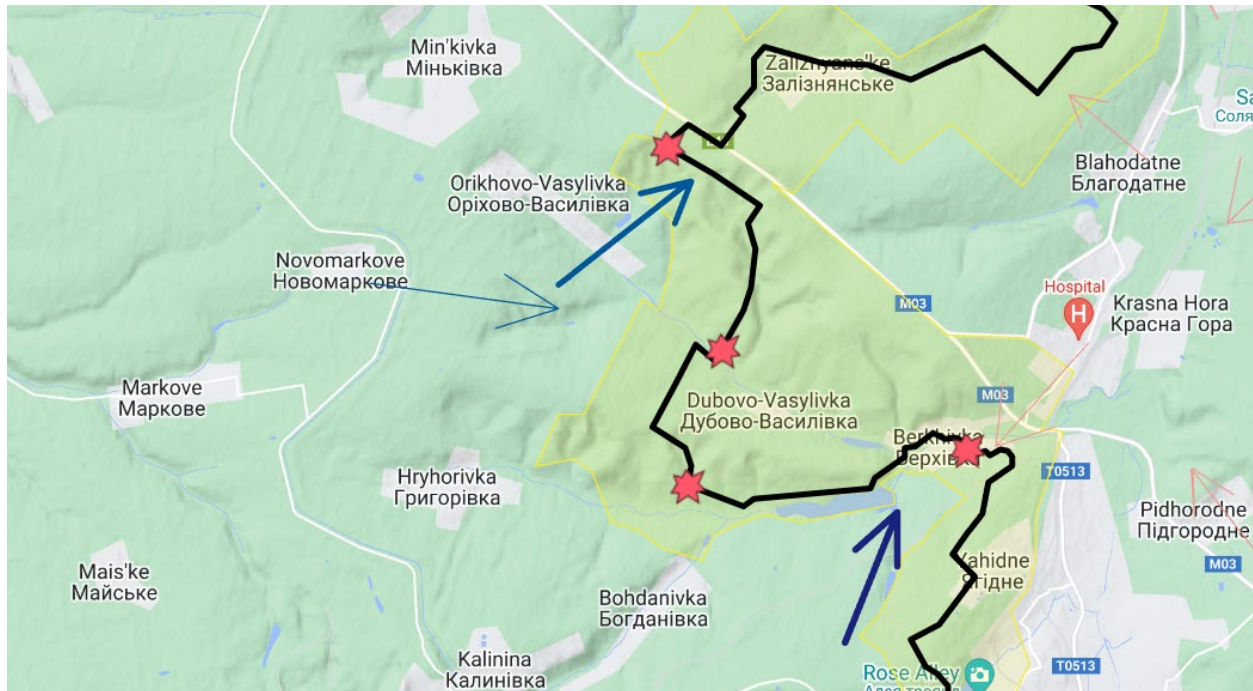
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¹² <https://t.me/operativnoZSU/105653>

NORTHEAST DONETSK



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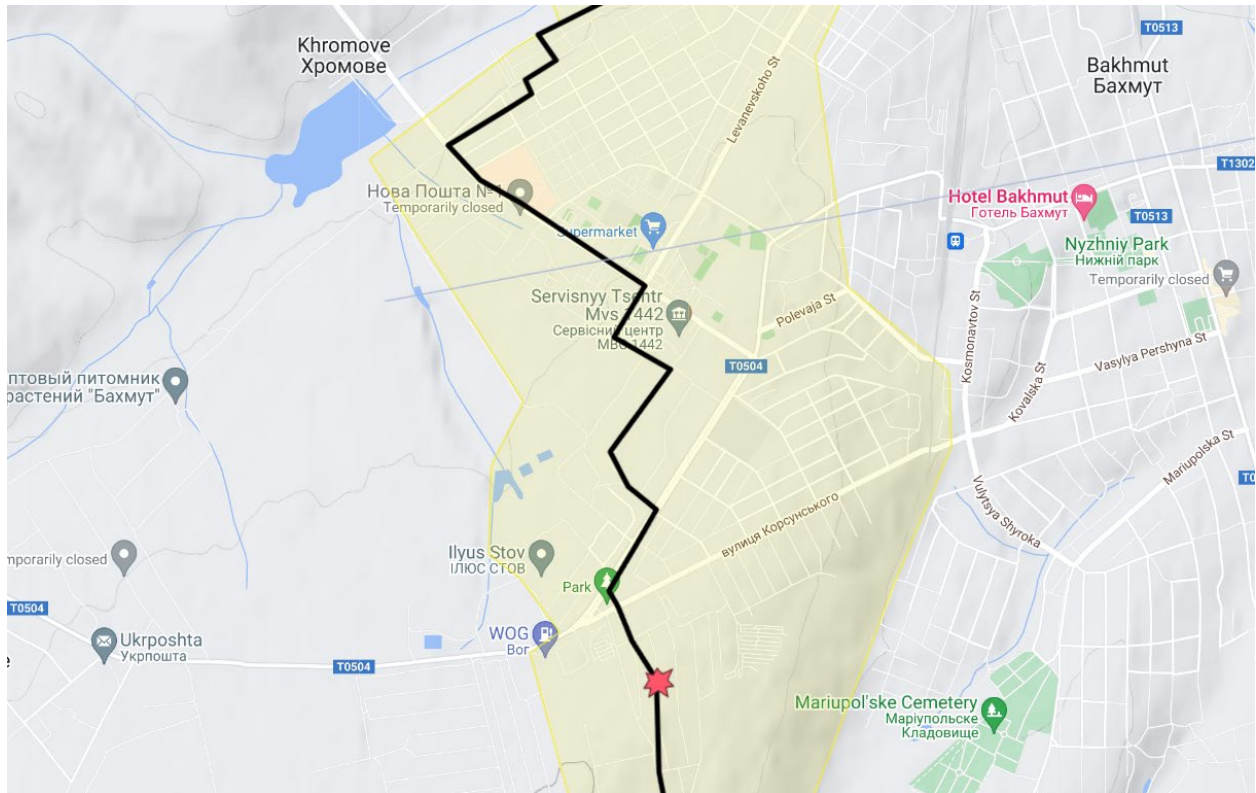


Bakhmut Operational Area

Russian forces launched a furious counteroffensive, supported by the Russian Airforce and army aviation (VKS), on the southwestern edge of [Berkhivka](#) without success.^{13 14} Pockets of fighting were reported near the M-03/E-40 Highway north of [Orikhovo-Vasylivka](#).

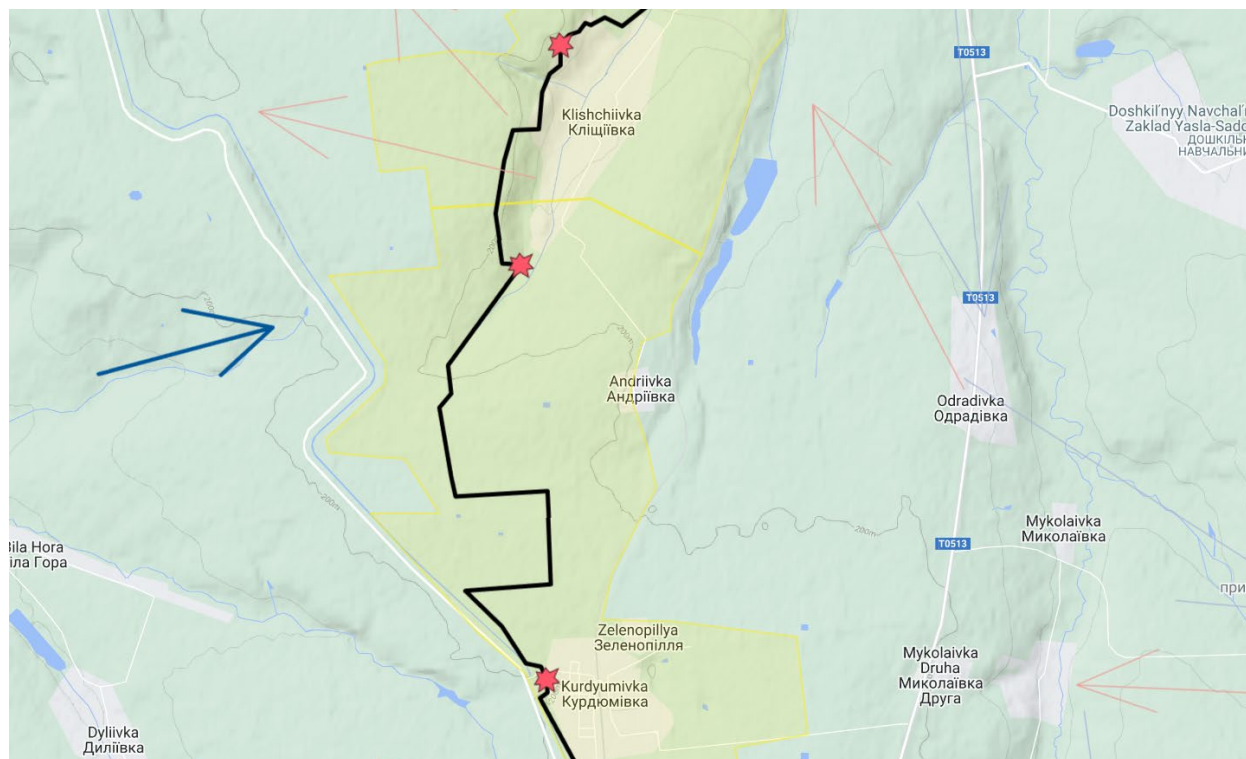
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¹⁴ <https://t.me/wargonzo/13813>



There continue to be occasional reports of fighting on the western edge of Bakhmut and the southwestern edge east of Ivanivske. There is no change in the situation, and we maintain Ukraine controls 2.5% of the city in three pockets.¹⁵

¹⁵ <https://t.me/DeepStateUA/16578>



Klishchiivka Operational Area

Fighting continued along the outskirts of [Klishchiivka](#). Ukrainian forces did not make new territorial gains today.¹⁶ East of the Siverskyi Donets-Donbas Canal, mutual fighting was reported southwest of [Andriivka](#), with Ukrainian forces making marginal gains moving through the tree lines and wood blocks.¹⁸ ¹⁹ Multiple Russian sources reported that Ukrainian troops attempted to

¹⁶ https://t.me/mod_russia/28366 [Russian Federation controlled social media channel]

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¹⁸ [General Staff of the Armed Forces of Ukraine – PM Facebook Report](#)

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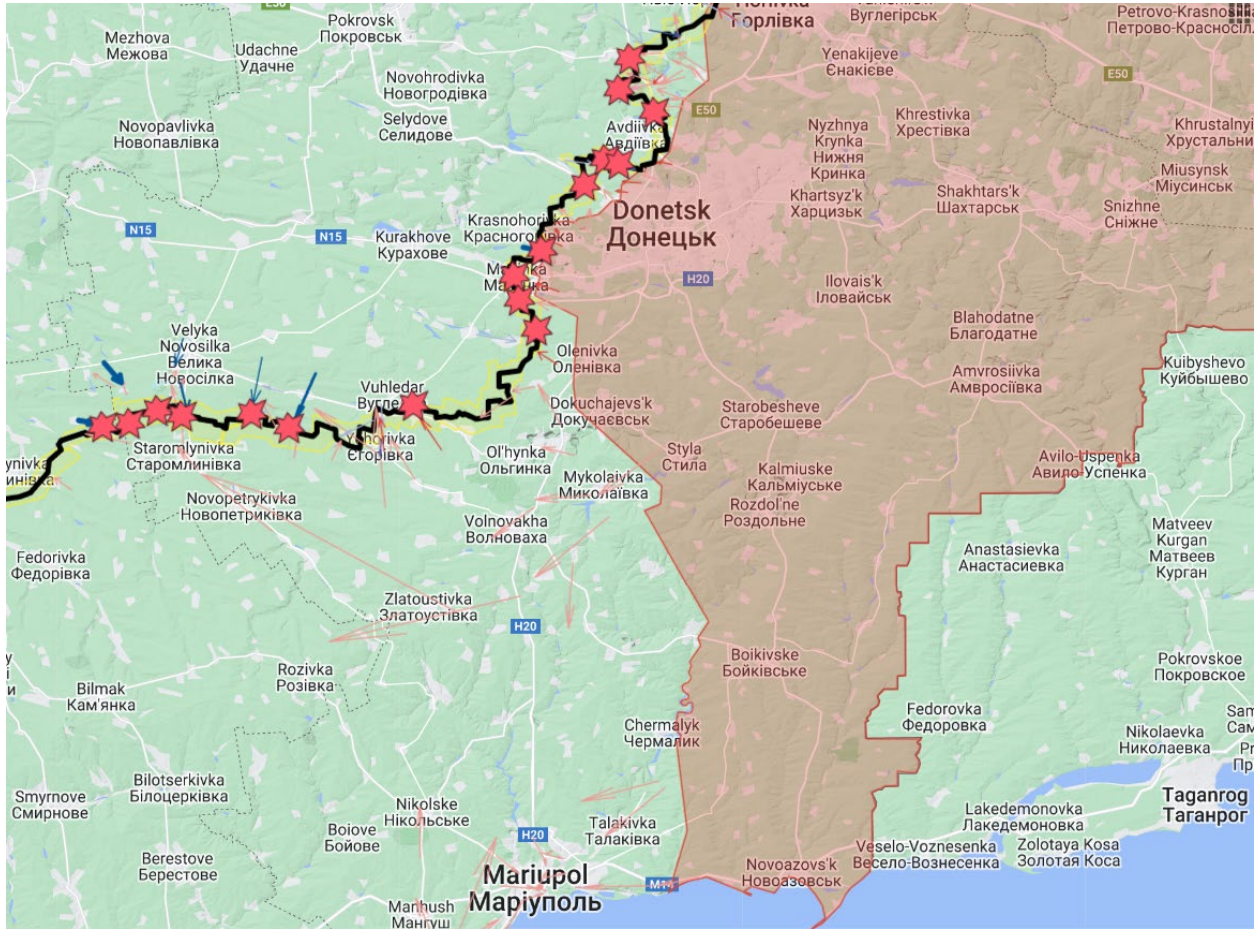


advance into [Kurdyumivka](#), with claims of intense fighting.²⁰

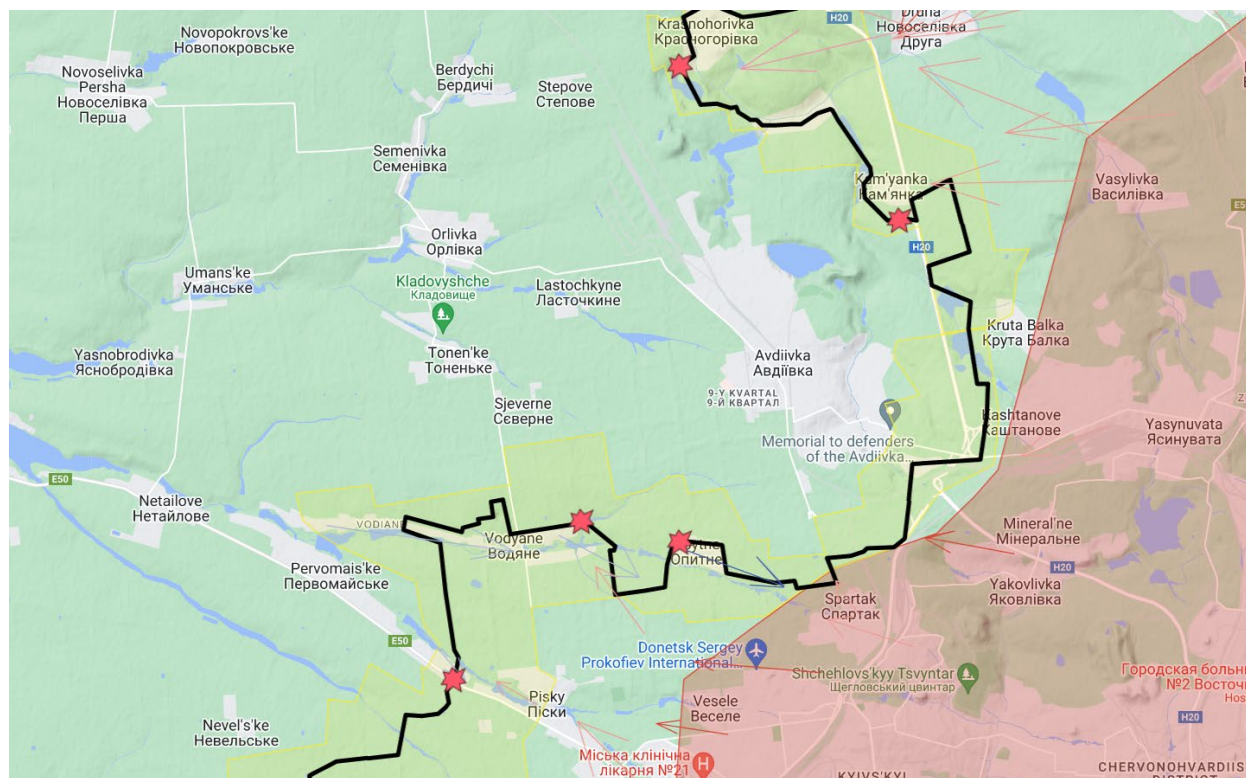
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SOUTHWESTERN DONETSK



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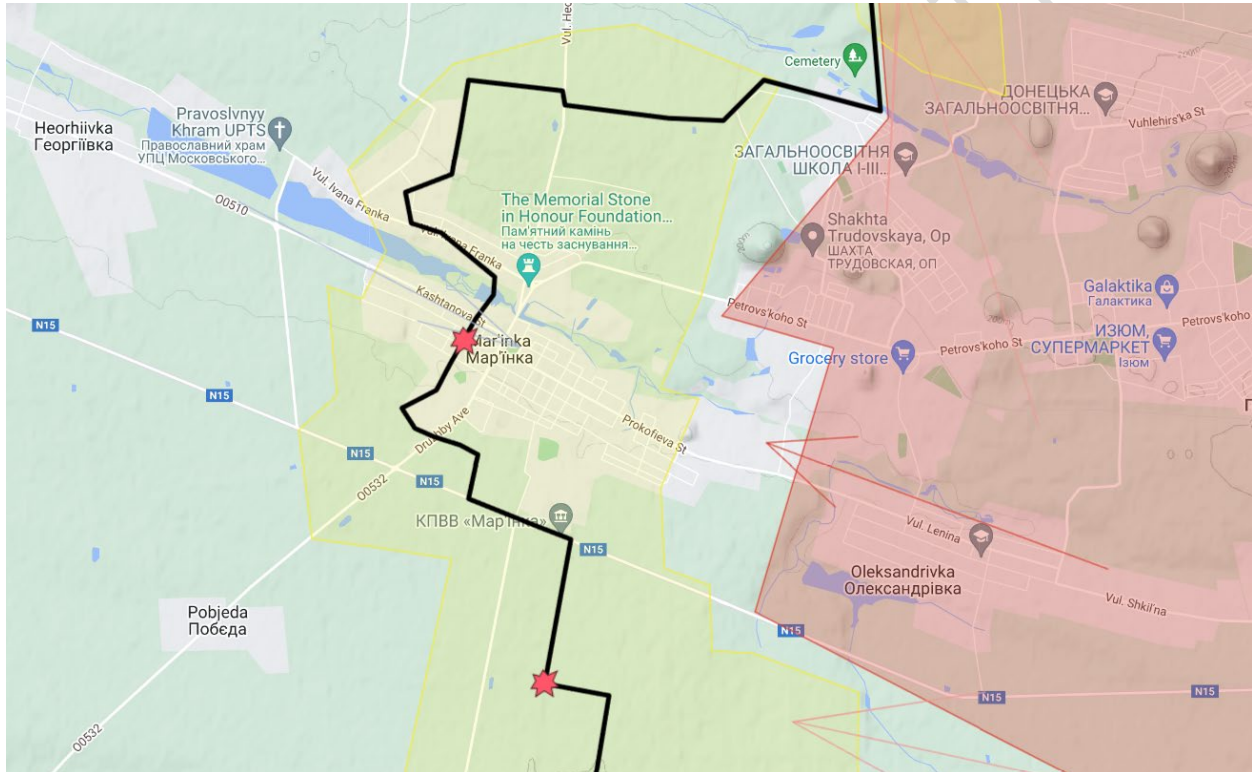


Avdiivka Operational Area

After a week of widespread fighting, Russian attacks were reduced after suffering significant losses at Avdiivka, Vodyane, Olytne, and Pervomaiske over the last week.

Russian forces attempted to advance on [Pervomaiske](#), with support from the VKS, from the open fields south of the settlement using armor and light infantry. Russian troops suffered significant losses, with at least a company

rendered combat destroyed.^{21 22 23 24} Positional fighting continued in the gray area between [Sjeverne and Vodyane](#).²⁵



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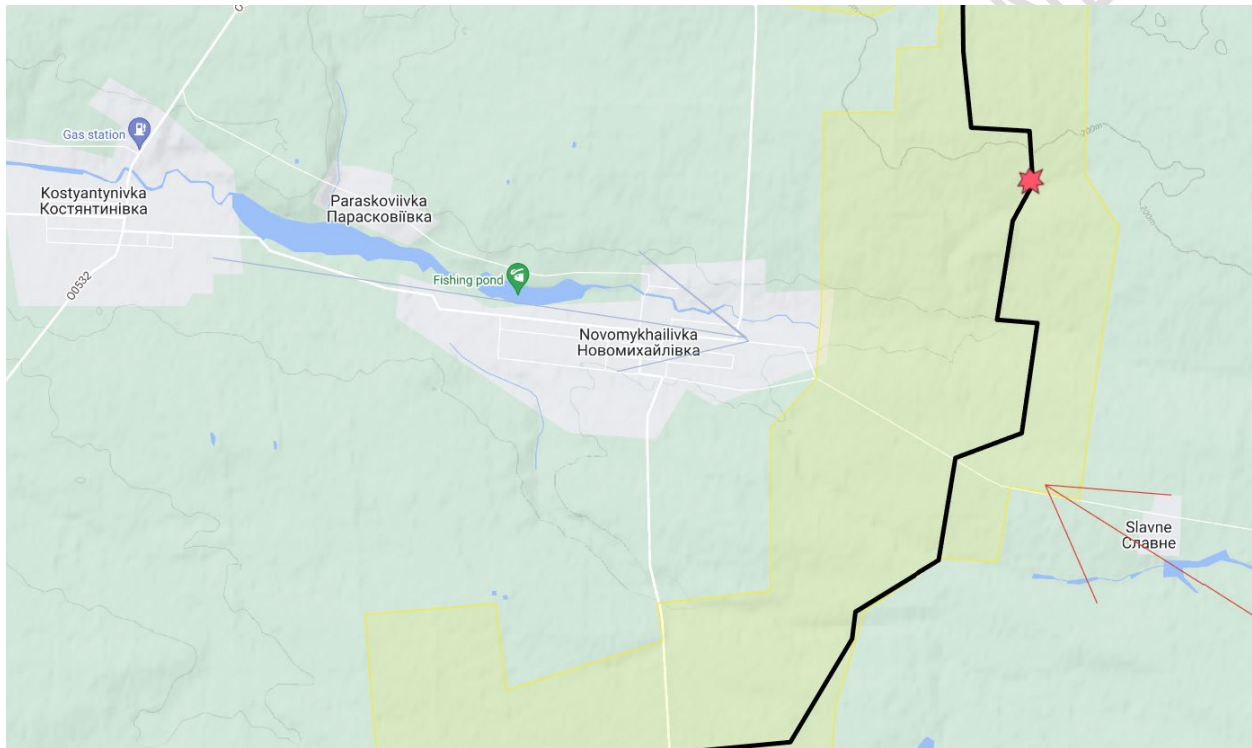
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Marinka Operational Area

Positional fighting continued in the areas near [Marinka](#), with no changes in the situation.^{26 27}



Vuhledar Operational Area

Russian forces continued their attempts to advance on [Novomykhailivka](#) from the east without success.^{28 29 30 31}

²⁶ [General Staff of the Armed Forces of Ukraine – AM Facebook Report](#)

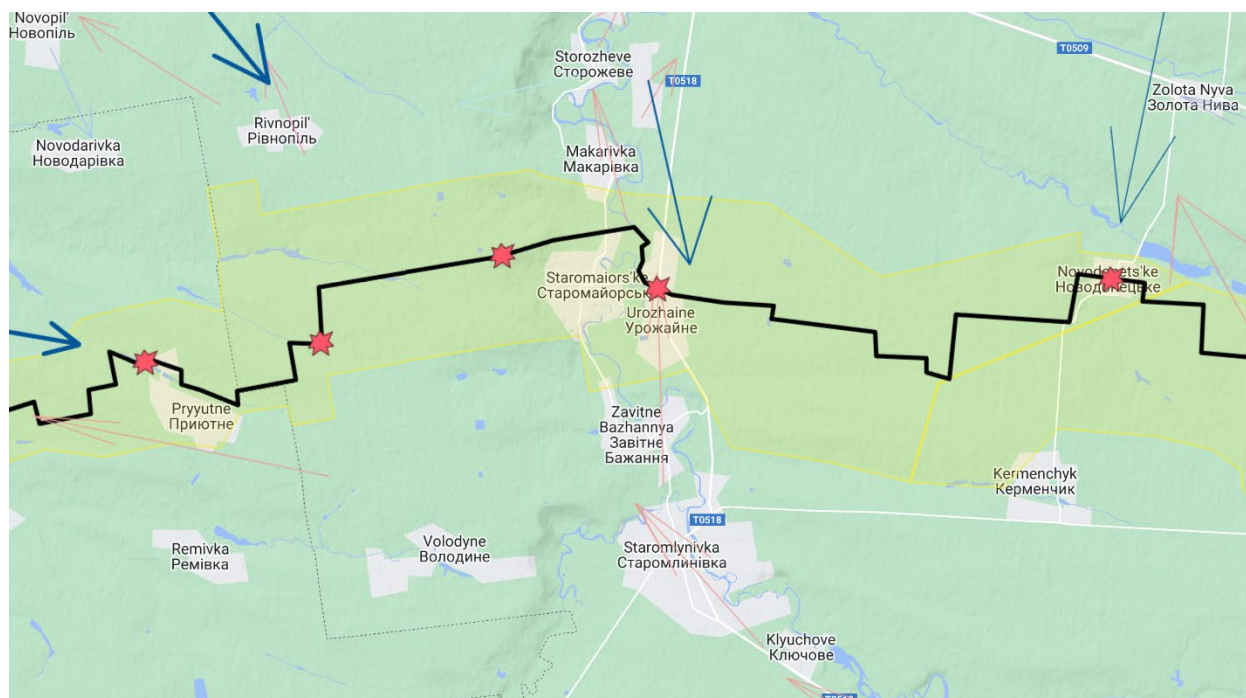
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Lyubymivka-Staromlynivka Operational Direction

Fighting continued in [Novodonetske](#), where Russian forces made marginal gains. Ukrainian forces attempted an attack on [Urozhaine](#), which was unsuccessful.^{32 33} Russian sources reported that Ukrainian forces made marginal gains northeast of [Staromaiorske](#).^{34 35} Fighting continued on the northern edge of [Pryutne](#), with no change in the situation.³⁶

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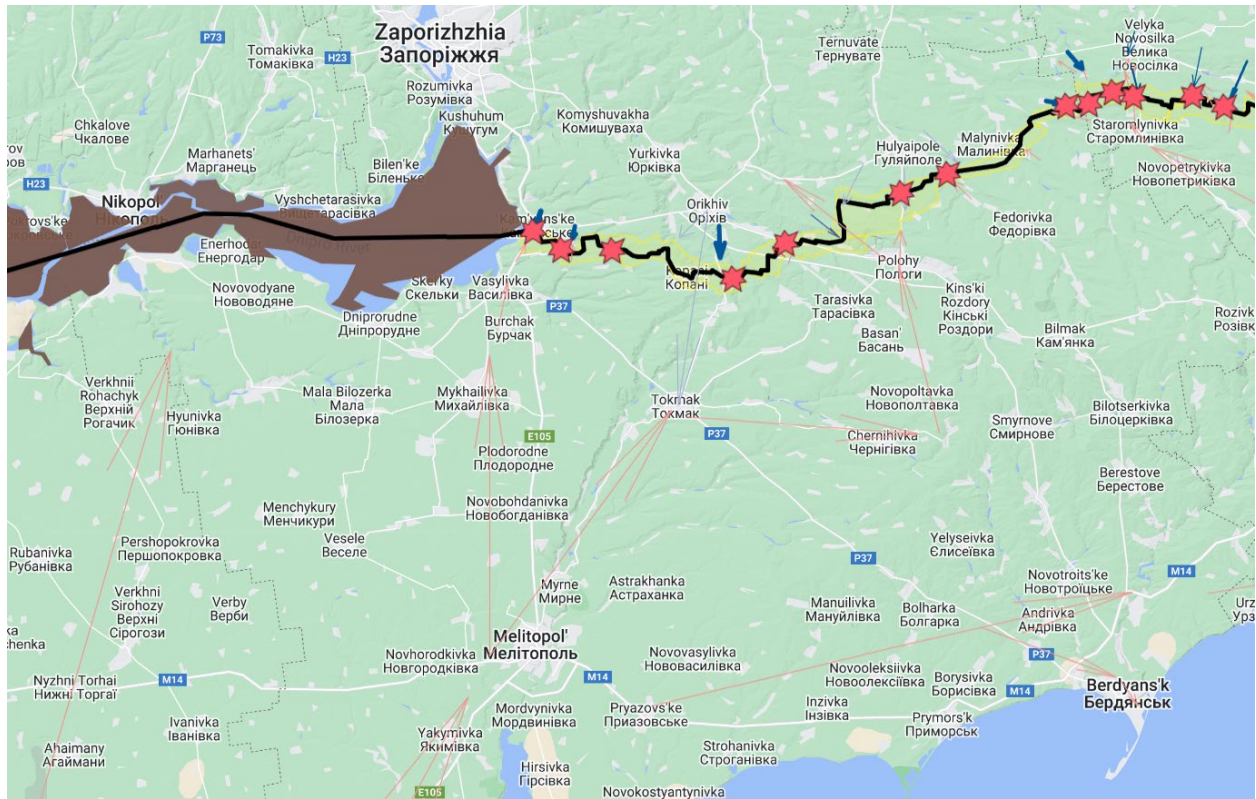
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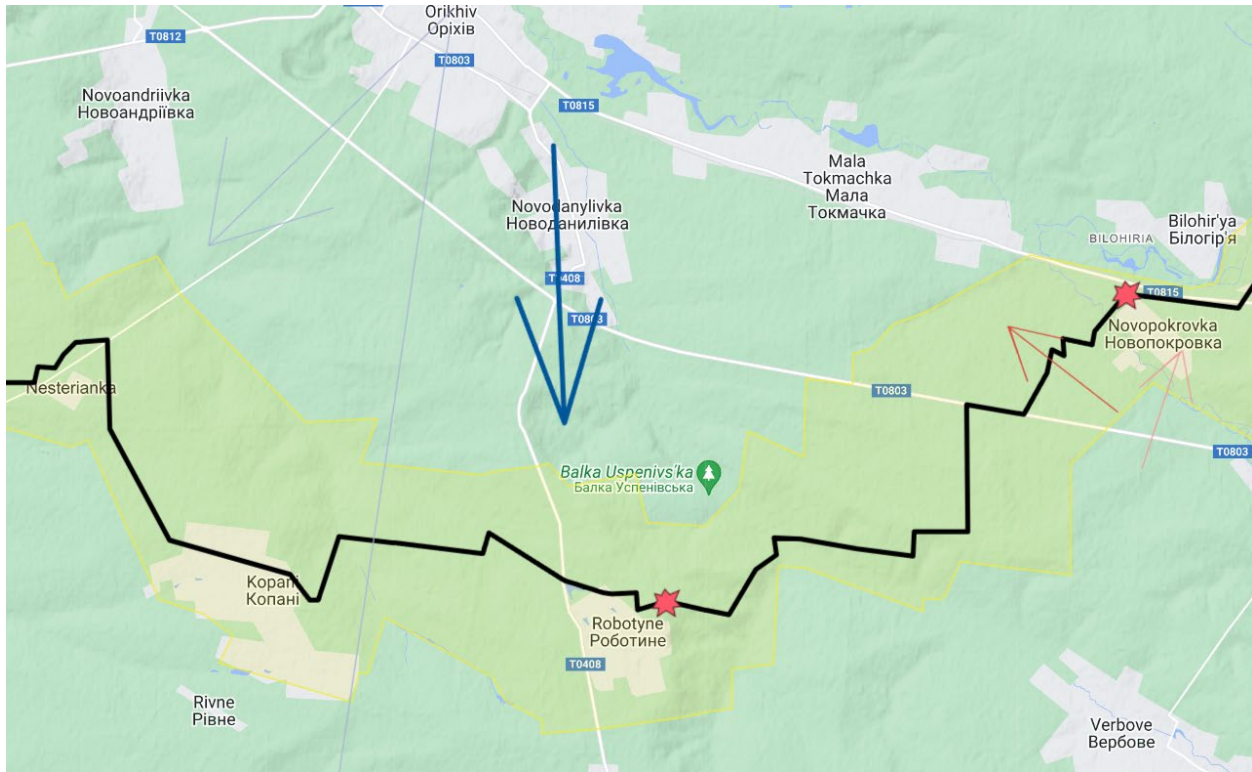
ZAPORIZHIA



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Free Zaporizhzhia

During the last 24 hours, Ukrainian forces carried out 1,296 fire missions on Russian positions, while Russian artillery, mortar, and tubed artillery systems fired 536 munitions on 16 settlements on the line of conflict.



Orikhiv Operational Area

Fighting continued on the northern edge and northeast of [Robotyne](#).³⁸ To the northeast, Ukrainian forces continue to make steady advances in the direction of Verbove.

³⁸ <https://t.me/wargonzo/13813>

Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Plant


No update.

BLACK SEA, CRIMEA, MYKOLAIV, AND ODESA REGION

Black Sea

Ukrainian Operational Command South (OKS) reported that seven vessels of the Black Sea Fleet were on patrol, including one frigate and one Kilo-class submarine capable of launching up to 12 Kalibr cruise missiles.

Occupied Crimea

Ukraine forces launched a raid on Sevastopol using uncrewed surface vessels (USV) and kamikaze drones.³⁹ The illegitimate governor of occupied Crimea, Mykhailo Razvozhayev, reported that one UAV was shot down, and the other four were brought down using electronic warfare. He also reported  [at least one USV was destroyed](#).⁴⁰

³⁹ <https://t.me/operativnoZSU/105627>

⁴⁰ <https://t.me/operativnoZSU/105640>

WESTERN AND CENTRAL UKRAINE

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There wasn't any significant activity.

NORTHERN AND NORTHEASTERN UKRAINE

Condensed Report

Sumy

Two Shahed-136 kamikaze drones struck non-civilian targets in Sumy. No fatalities or injuries were reported, and Ukrainian officials maintained operational security.

RUSSIAN FRONT

Condensed Report

There wasn't any significant activity.

THEATERWIDE

Ukrainian air defense shot down four out of six Shahed-136 kamikaze drones launched by Russia. It has been more than three weeks since a significant missile attack.