The Blessed Hope!

"Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;" –(Titus 2:13)

Diamond & Nugget #101

Israel is still arming Ukrainian Nazis and Putin is well aware of what is going on but do not assume Russia is going to ignore what Israel is doing along with the Biden administration giving billions of dollars of weapons to the Ukrainian military. He said recently, that Russia would respond not just to those firing weapons at the Russian army but that he would respond to those in control of the decisions to attack the Russian army.



Video posted online by Ukraine's Nazi Azov Battalion showed it firing an Israeli-made weapon.

Israeli anti-tank weapons are being used by Nazi soldiers in Ukraine.

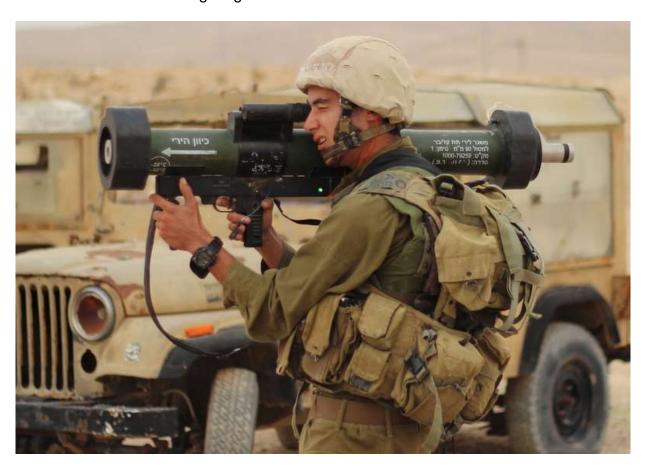
A video published by <u>Ukraine's Azov Battalion</u> on Twitter this week showed one of its fighters firing an anti-tank missile. In the tweet Azov claimed it had hit a Russian vehicle.

Israeli media on Wednesday identified the missile system in the Azov video as a Matador, a weapon developed by a consortium involving Rafael, a state-owned Israeli arms manufacturer.

The weapon seen in the video does match with established photos of the Matador.

Yahoo News reported last month that Ukraine had bought 5,100 of the missile systems from a German manufacturer – the same firm that jointly developed the Matador with Rafael.

Matador is a portmanteau of "man-portable anti-tank, anti-door" since it is also used to blow holes in walls when fighting in urban areas.



An Israeli soldier trains with a Matador anti-tank missile. The same weapon recently featured in an Azov Battalion video from Mariupol. (Wikimedia Commons)

Tested in Gaza

The Matador's "wall opening function is particularly valued" by Israeli soldiers, 'The Jerusalem Post' reports. Israel has used the weapon in "heavily built-up environments such as the Gaza Strip," the newspaper ads – a euphemism for how Palestinian homes have almost certainly been attacked with the weapon.

The video posted by Azov this week was also filmed in an urban environment. Azov's headquarters has long been in the southeastern port city of Mariupol, part of the largely Russian-speaking eastern Donbass region of Ukraine.

Mariupol has been the scene of intense fighting since the Russian invasion that began on 24 February. Both Russian and Ukrainian sources this week said the city was on the verge of falling to Russian forces.

On Thursday morning Russian defense minister Sergey Shoigu said that most of the city had been captured. The last 2,000 Ukrainian fighters in the city remain holed up in the Azovstal steel plant, he said.



Israeli anti-tank weapon Matador on display during Israel's 2014 "independence day" celebrations of the 1948 destruction of Palestine. (Wikimedia Commons)

Azov has been a magnet for far-right volunteers who have flocked to Ukraine from around the world in recent months. On Monday, two British citizens captured in Mariupol by Russian forces appeared in handcuffs on Russian TV.

Captured volunteer Aiden Aslin was wearing an Azov Battalion t-shirt with its distinctive Nazi symbol the *Wolfsangel*.

"Big Israel"

The Azov Battalion itself is named after the Sea of Azov, which Mariupol overlooks.

Azov emerged out of the far-right street gangs and football hooligans that formed the vanguard of the 2014 coup against the elected Ukrainian government. The coup regime then integrated Azov into its regular armed forces.

Despite recent attempts by corporate media to whitewash Azov's image, the group is widely accepted to be a far-right Nazi group – one with the state's backing.

In 2018 The Electronic Intifada revealed that Israel was licensing Tavor-style special forces rifles in Ukraine which were being used to arm the government's Nazi brigade.

The Ukrainian ambassador to Israel wrote a letter in response expressing "deep concern" over our report claiming it relied on "unproven evidence" and "biased information."

But a letter from the Israeli defense ministry's arms exports agency, as well as photos and videos from Azov's own online presence proved otherwise.



Ukraine's Nazi Azov Battalion on parade in 2017. (Azov.org.ua)

As the letter we published as part of our original report explained, the Israeli defense ministry said it was "careful to grant licenses" to arms exporters "in full coordination with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and other government entities." The letter — sent in

response to a query by human rights lawyer Eitay Mack – did not deny arming Ukrainian Nazis.

The Ukrainian ambassador to Israel denied there had been any weapon supply from Israel "since 2014." But in a related tweet, he seemed to contradict himself by admitting that the Tavor-style rifles were produced "under the licenses of IWI" – Israel Weapon Industries, an Israeli arms manufacturer whose licenses all must be approved by the Israeli government.

IWI's Tavor rifles have been used by Israeli snipers to fire on Palestinians protesting near Gaza's boundary with Israel in recent years.

Ukrainian president Volodymyr Zelensky is a big supporter of apartheid Israel.

He has hailed a "big Israel" as the model for his country and said in his speech to the Israeli parliament last month that both countries face the same threats.

But in the speech he also criticized Israel for not sending enough weapons to Ukraine. Israel has close relations to both Ukraine and Russia – where many Israeli citizens actually come from.

Palestinian lawmakers in the Israeli parliament boycotted Zelensky's speech in protest of his pro-Israel stance. "Zelensky's speech was a Zionist one par excellence, hitting its bottom when he gave Israel the historical status of victim," lawmaker Ahmad Tibi posted on Twitter.

Although the corporate media puts a lot of emphasis on Zelensky's Jewish heritage, the president appears to be a hostage to domestic far-right and anti-Semitic forces.

Elected in 2019 on a platform of peace with Russia, the former comedian did a swift U-turn when threatened by Azov and other far-right militias. They prevented him from carrying out his election promise of implementing the Minsk peace agreements for deescalation of the civil war that has been ongoing in the east of Ukraine since the 2014 coup.

I presume that this will have strong repercussions on the Russian-Israeli relationship. Recently it already became clear that the Russians are not happy at all with the Israelis attacking Syria and that the Russians warned the Israelis to stop with that. I wouldn't wonder that in a not so long time the Israeli adventures in Syrian airspace will become deadly since Russia are going to stop Israeli aggression.

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Ukraine sunk Moskva after firing two Neptune anti-ship missiles on April 13

The U.S. Navy used its new marine surveillance aircraft to provide accurate targeting data to Ukrainian forces to sink the Russian Black Sea flag ship Moskva on April 13.

Ukraine claimed it fired two Neptun missiles at the Russian warship which was patrolling south of Odesa.

Russia initially claimed the vessel, which had more than 500 crew on board had blown up after a fire onboard.

Later, the Kremlin was forced to admit the vessel - named in honor of the Russian capital - had been taken out by hostile action.



The U.S. Navy deployed one of its Boeing Poseidon P-8 maritime surveillance aircraft on the Black Sea coast over Romania in the hours before the Ukrainian attack on the Moskva.

Mike Adams, the Health Ranger posted on Thursday, April 21, 2022 something to think about with the sinking of the Moskva.

USA targeting of Moskva ship is Russia's "Pearl Harbor" ... RETALIATION is Putin's next move, and the USA just handed him all the domestic support he needs.

To understand the sinking of the Moskva and Putin's impending retaliation against the United States, you first have to realize that any national leader wanting to make bold military moves first needs the support of his own people. In 1941, **Pearl Harbor was allowed to happen** (the U.S. government knew all about it and even provoked it) in order to create the emotional support for the U.S. to enter the Pacific theater of war.

The attack on Pearl Harbor was, essentially, the 9/11 of World War II. And just as with 9/11, the US government knew all about it and allowed it to take place in order to produce the casualties and emotional reaction that would see the American people demanding retaliation against Japan.

It has now been revealed that the U.S. military ran the entire operation to sink the Moskva, including running the tracking of the ship via a P-8 Poseidon surveillance aircraft, which then handed off fire solutions to the Ukrainians who were all trained by the U.S. military as well. Thus, the United States provided the weapons, the training, the tracking and the fire solution to sink the Moskva. All Ukraine did was press the "fire" button, essentially. This is so widely known know that it's even being reported by the UK Daily Mail. It reports:

REVEALED: "U.S. maritime surveillance plane was over Black Sea minutes before Russian flagship Moskva was 'hit by Ukrainian missiles'. A P-8 Poseidon surveillance aircraft was patrolling the coast before the attack. The high-tech jet can spot ships on radar at ranges of more than 100 miles... The US Navy used its new marine surveillance aircraft to provide accurate targeting data to Ukrainian forces to sink the Russian Black Sea flag ship Moskva on April 13."

By sinking the Moskva, the U.S. just handed Putin something akin to "Russia's Pearl Harbor moment," in which Putin can claim to his people that the USA initiated an attack on the Russian Navy, sinking one of their ships and killing hundreds of their people. This news has, of course, been paraded all across Russian media, driving domestic support for Putin even higher than before.

Just like with Pearl Harbor in the United States, the people of Russia are now demanding "payback" from the aggressors, whom they see as the United States. In effect, the USA just handed Putin the final piece of the puzzle that he needs to launch retaliatory nuclear strikes against the West.

Russia unveils the unstoppable RS-28 Sarmat (Satan 2) ICBM carrying up to 15 MIRV warheads

It is no coincidence that Russia has just unveiled a test launch of its RS-28 Sarmat (Satan 2) ICBM which carries up to 15 MIRV warheads. These are independent re-entry vehicles, each one carrying a nuclear warhead hundreds of times larger than the atomic bombs used on Japan in World War II

The RS-28 also carries Hypersonic Glide Vehicles (HGV) which glides at extreme speeds while maneuvering to their targets, utterly evading every defensive system

owned by the United States. Put another way, the USA is utterly defenseless to stop Russia's nuclear weapons from striking US-based targets.

It takes roughly 30 minutes for one of these ICBMs to fly from Moscow to New York City. Should Putin launch one, the people of New York would have no warning whatsoever, since the traitorous, occupying U.S. government almost certainly wouldn't bother to warn anyone if they only have a few minutes remaining to evacuate.

Thus, at any given moment, millions of Americans are just 30 minutes away from total annihilation. Russia could even; theoretically, launch a missile featuring high-altitude EMP detonation, plunging the United States into a 19th-century Dark Ages existence in which roughly 90% of the population would die within a year or so due to mass starvation, collapse, violence, disease and so on.

From InsiderPaper.com:

"The RS-28 Sarmat is capable of carrying about 10 tons of payload for either up to 10 heavy, or 15 light, MIRV warheads, as well as an unspecified number of Avangard hypersonic glide vehicles (HGVs) or a combination of warheads. It also carries several countermeasures against anti-ballistic missile systems. The Russian ministry of Defense said that the missile is Russia's response to the U.S. Prompt Global Strike system."

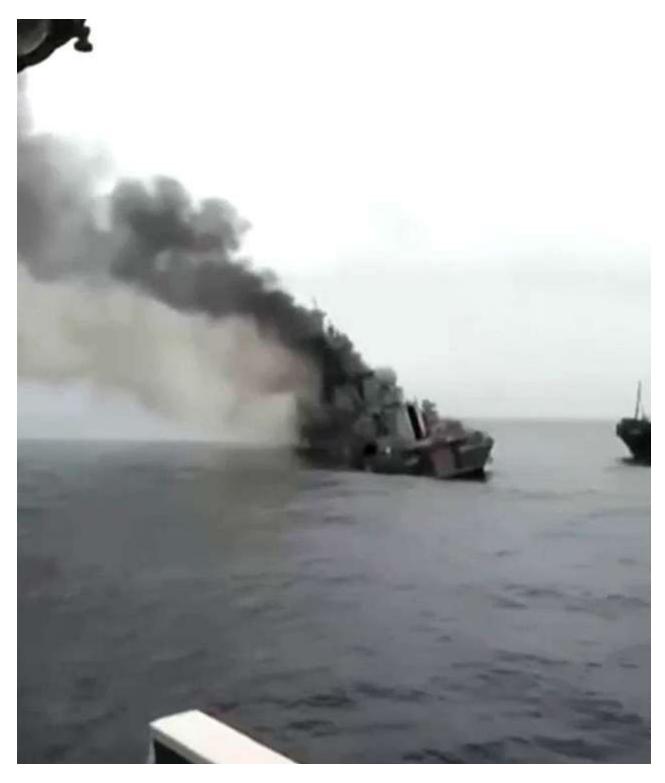
While the Pentagon has been focused on creating gay helicopter crews and transgender soldiers, Russia has been engineering highly effective, high-tech weapon delivery systems such as hypersonic missiles and advanced ICBMs.

While America's traitorous leaders are dismantling America's energy infrastructure and transportation system (see the recent clobbering of Union Pacific railway deliveries), Russia is raking in record profits from energy sales while convincing many top nations around the world to buy energy in Rubles rather than dollars.

The US empire, steeped in corruption, pedophilia, criminality and insanity, *is finished*. Now it's only a matter of time to watch the self-immolation of the United States of America accelerate by the day.

Mark my words: Before the end of this year, **America's cities will be in flames** from the food riots. Government tyranny will be out of control, and we will be witnessing the early chapters of either a mass uprising or a civil war (or perhaps elements of both). Mass starvation is coming to the West, and it was the insanely stupid economic sanctions against Russia that initiated the entire catastrophic chain reaction that will lead to the fall of America as we know it.

A very sad day, indeed. Then again, with America's abortion fanatics going all-out insane on mass murdering babies, it begs the question of whether a "reboot" might be the only way to restore the Christian values upon which America was originally founded.



The Moskva sank shortly after this image was taken following the missile strike on the cruiser. According to 'The Times,' a U.S. marine surveillance P-8 Poseidon aircraft, was tracking Moskva in the hours before it was attacked before supplying its location to the Ukrainian military.

The Boeing-made aircraft is based upon the Boeing 737-800 jet - which is widely used by airlines such as Ryanair.

However, instead of passengers, the Poseidon is packed with state-of-the-art surveillance equipment which can track surface vessels and submarines at ranges of more than 100 miles.

According to The Times, the P-8 took off from Italy and took up station on the Romanian Black Sea coast where it attempted to locate the position of the Russian Black Sea fleet.

Since the invasion of Ukraine, a range of NATO surveillance platforms and drones have been monitoring Russian movements from the Polish coast, along the Ukrainian border and down to the Black Sea.



The Moskva, pictured leaving Sevastopol on April 10, was the main air defense asset in the Black Sea Fleet and served as its flagship. Moskva was the Russian Black Sea fleet's main radar platform, equipped with S-300 surface to air missiles to protect from air attack.

The vessel sank as tugs attempted to tow the crippled warship back to Crimea for repairs.

The Neptun is an anti-ship missile that was recently developed by Ukraine and based on an earlier Soviet design. The launchers are mounted on trucks stationed near the coast, and, according to the Washington-based Centre for Strategic and International Studies, the missiles can hit targets up to 175 miles away. That would have put the Moskva within range, based on where the fire began.

According to The Times, the P-8 left US Naval Air Station Sigonella in Sicily on April 13, hours before the attack.

Before reaching the Black Sea coastline, the Poseidon turned off its trackers, so it could no longer be followed online. The aircraft was 'hidden' for almost three hours before it returned to Flight Radar 24.

Aviation data analyst Amelia Smith told The Times that there were slightly more U.S. aircraft covering the Black Sea coast on the day of the attack.

However, the U.S. Navy refused to confirm if they assisted Ukraine with the attack by providing intelligence data.

A Defense source added: "In keeping with our support to NATO's eastern flank, we have been conducting some limited air patrols off the coast of Romania. But we will not speak to the details of operational matters."

Just as Russia has now completed the test firing of its global ICBM "Sarmat" missile system -- which can reach any target anywhere in the world with a dizzying array of reentry (nuclear) vehicles -- alarm bells are being sounded over America's rapid depletion of munitions due to the Russia-Ukraine conflict.

The U.S. Pentagon has shipped thousands of Javelin anti-tank weapons to Ukraine, along with millions of rounds of ammunition, artillery shells, rockets, drones and troop transport vehicles, leading to a sudden drop in the available stockpiles of such equipment should U.S. forces need to defend the homeland. "General Mark Milley, the chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, told Congress that the West has delivered 60,000 antitank weapons and 25,000 anti-aircraft weapons to Kyiv. The Pentagon is now laying plans to rush additional artillery, coastal defense drones and other materiel to Ukraine," reports BloombergQuint.com: "Pentagon officials say that Kyiv is blowing through a week's worth of deliveries of antitank munitions every day. It is also running short of usable aircraft as Russian airstrikes and combat losses take their toll. Ammunition has become scarce in Mariupol and other areas. This is presenting Western countries with a stark choice between pouring more supplies into Ukraine and husbanding finite capabilities they may need for their own defense."

Will take years to rebuild weapons stockpiles

Even worse, we've now learned that many of these systems are extremely difficult to replenish, requiring *years* of manufacturing to restore supplies. While Javelin missiles, for example, have been sent to Ukraine by the thousands, the United States can only manufacture about 1,000 units a year under current circumstances.

Contributing to the alarming problem is the **supply chain collapse** that appears to be spreading rapidly, making it difficult if not impossible for weapons manufacturers to source materials and parts that are needed for their products. In addition, many weapons system suppliers are *single-source* suppliers, meaning there is zero redundancy in the military supply chain for that component or weapon. Even worse, many of these single-source suppliers **rely on microchips or other parts from China or Taiwan**, meaning that such parts may be impossible to get during a world war. And finally, wrapping up the dismal reality of the situation, America's industrial capabilities have plummeted over the last two decades.

Combined with the fact that so few Americans want to carry out anything resembling "work," there is no ability for America to repeat its World War II feat of out-producing the Third Reich and the Japanese Empire. In the 1930s and 40s, America carried a strong work ethic and an outstanding industrial output capacity based largely on domestic sourcing (of steel, for example). Today, America has collapsed into a nation with very little domestic manufacturing and almost no remaining work ethic. The primary thing "produced" by America is fiat currency (debt notes) which obviously can't replace steel. Other American exports include libtard cultural insanity, pedophilia (grooming), Big Tech censorship and Orwellian tracking technologies. In essence, America produces very little other than debt, misery and insanity.

You can't "print" your way to military readiness

As analysts are now coming to realize, you can't print munitions and weapon systems. Yes, you can print money and make believe you have an abundant economy, a rising stock market and high currency velocity, but those are all fictions based on currency counterfeiting by the central bank. Military weapons, on the other hand, have to be manufactured out of real things. Copper, steel, electronics, gunpowder, aluminum, etc. And these real things are increasingly difficult to acquire, largely due to the West's insanely stupid economic sanctions against Russia which have, for the most part, backfired against western nations and caused extremely stubborn supply chain disruptions. You also can't simply outsource your domestic weapons production to other countries, since the entire point of domestic production is to have factories that can create weapons for national defense when you're in the middle of a global war. The United States, having outsourced nearly all manufacturing to China and other nations, has but a shadow remaining of its post-World War II manufacturing capabilities. Printing more money won't solve this problem, which means fake president Joe Biden has no idea what to do. In fact, that top two "solutions" being pursued by the White House under the Resident-In-Chief Joe Biden is to: 1) Print more money, and 2) Shut down domestic infrastructure. The results are nothing short of catastrophic. America is dismantling its ability to manufacture weapons for national defense. And China is no doubt watching all of this rather closely, projecting the collapse of America's military readiness, signaling the perfect storm of circumstances for China to invade the continental United States.

Russia is also watching America burn through its weapon systems Russia's take on all this is demonstrated by Sputnik News which recently published an article, "US Running Out of Javelin Anti-Tank Missiles to Send to Ukraine: Report."

From that article: The United States and its allies have sent up to 17,000 anti-tank weapons to Ukraine over the past month-and-a-half... Having transferred about a third of its inventory of Javelin missile systems to Ukraine, the Pentagon may be running out of stocks critical for the security of the homeland and possible US wars abroad, Center for Strategic and International Studies researcher Mark Cancian has calculated. That same report concludes that replacing those Javelin missiles will take 3-4 years: With current production averaging about 1,000 Javelins a year, the Pentagon assures that up to 6,480 can be made per year in an emergency. However, Cancian says this production rate would take years to reach, given the 32 month delivery time from when a missile is ordered and the time that it's delivered. "This means that it will take about three or four years to replace the missiles that have been delivered so far. If the United States delivers more missiles to Ukraine, this time to replace extends," he stresses. A similar situation exists with Stinger anti-aircraft missiles, which are also being sent to Ukraine in large numbers, depleting America's stockpiles. See the full CSIS report here.

U.S. military weapons are outdated and largely ineffective against Russia's modern, advanced weapon systems

The other "holy crap" factor in all this is the fact that the U.S. military industrial complex, due to its corruption, laziness and virtue signaling incompetence (where many of the qualified cis-gendered people were fired and replaced by "woke" pretenders who play the role of victims), is utterly incapable of designing new, effective weapon systems. (You know, because "math is racist.") America is largely churning out the same outdated designed from decades ago, with no design improvements whatsoever. Idiocracy is now ruling the U.S. military. Why do F-35 fighter aircraft keep falling out of the sky? Why do U.S. Navy ships lose all controls and drift at sea? Why are U.S. soldiers thrust into conflicts with sub-par equipment that barely functions? The answer is because the Pentagon is far more concerned with being gay and transgender than being prepared to defend America.

The "woke" mentality has transformed the leadership of the US Armed Forces into libturd soy boy snowflakes who have forgotten the entire reason for their very existence. They want the military to be a wokeified social experiment rather than an effective fighting force. This is why America is terrified to actually face off against Russian forces in Ukraine. Russia has already established near-total air superiority in Ukraine. Russia's artillery equipment is far more modern and effective than is America's, as the Russian systems have a much faster fire cycling rate and far more accurate targeting of where the shells actually hit. Russia's hypersonic missiles can't be stopped by anything from the USA or NATO, which means Russia can strike targets at will, and there's nothing NATO can do to stop it. Now, Russia's new "Sarmat-2" ICBM system which can carry

up to 15 independent re-entry vehicles (MIRV units), some of which can include hypersonic glide vehicles that evade every anti-air defense system the USA has in its inventory. And then there's Russia's S-500 anti-aircraft defense systems. These systems are so advanced and effective that they can shoot down aircraft, low-Earth orbit satellites, cruise missiles and hypersonic missiles.

America and NATO have nothing that even comes close to the S500.



In effect, America cannot defeat Russia in a war. This is becoming rather obvious in Ukraine where U.S. intelligence, U.S. weapons and U.S. satellite systems are running the entire theater of operations for the Ukrainians, yet the Ukraine military is still getting stomped. Russia is just weeks away from a decisive victory in the Donbas region, and there's absolutely nothing any NATO country can do to stop them, short of launching nuclear weapons. It turns out that America's priorities have led this nation down the path of self-destruction. Instead of building a military as a capable fighting force, the Pentagon is far more concerned with organizing gay helicopter crews and paying for the transgender sex-change surgeries of active-duty soldiers. The insanity has reached the point of mass dysfunction... even clinical insanity. Our Pentagon is now run by mentally ill lunatics who will get American soldiers slaughtered on the battlefield when there's an actual war with Russia (which seems to be coming).

The Ukraine Is Still Losing So What Is Its Plan?

Russian and Donbas forces have cleared the city of Mariupol except for the giant metallurgic complex of <u>Azovstal</u> which is held by some estimated 4,000 men, including many from the fascist Azov battalion.

On Sunday Russia opened corridors across the front line and asked for those forces to surrender. However the Zelensky government ordered them to stay and to continue to bind Russian forces which otherwise could be used elsewhere:

Russia had given the Ukrainian fighters in Mariupol until Sunday morning to lay down their weapons or be "eliminated." On Sunday, the forces at the plant ignored the deadline, and Ukrainian officials vowed that they would not surrender. In response, the Russian assault intensified, with missiles and bombs hitting the city and new attacks occurring near the plant, according to the Ukrainian military.

Ukrainian officials said on Sunday that the struggle was not over for Mariupol, which for two months has tied up Russian troops and resources that are badly needed elsewhere. The Azovstal complex is a 2 by 2 miles industrial area. It can be surrounded and controlled by a relatively small force. Those within the area no longer have heavy artillery ammunition and presumably little other supplies. The Russian forces can see and bomb anything that moves on the open ground and can otherwise sit back and wait their enemies out.

I do not believe that holding on to Azovstal will significantly delay the upcoming second phase of the Russian operation which will surround and destroy the Ukrainian army on the Donbas front.

The Russian military has two huge advantages over the Ukrainian forces in the east. One is of course its air superiority. The other is the unimpeded supply line which allows it to get as much heavy artillery ammunition, fuel and food to its forces as it needs.

Without fuel the Ukrainian army cannot move and without constant supply, especially of large amounts of artillery munitions, it cannot counter Russian artillery which will be in heavy use against it.

Nearly all of the Ukrainian ammunition and fuel supplies have been bombed and destroyed. What is trickling in through its western borders has difficulties to reach the eastern front and is anyway not enough to supply an actively fighting and maneuvering army.

On April 16 Russia shot down a Ukrainian military transport plane that was bringing 'western' weapons to Odessa. Today it destroyed another ammunition depot near Lviv were 'western' weapons are crossing the border into Ukraine. Some bits of fuel allegedly still reach the Ukraine through trains from Moldova. But that is far from enough.

Since the beginning of the war, the number of gas stations in Ukraine has decreased three times, and private fuel consumption has decreased by about the same amount, said Sergey Kuyun, director of the A-95 consulting group.

"According to our estimates, a third of the total number of gas stations is operating, this is about 2.5 thousand stations, before the war there were 7.5 thousand. Of course, the main reason is the lack of fuel. Consumption has also decreased three times compared to the pre-war level," he said at a closed briefing at the Media Center in Lviv on Monday.

At the same time, Kuyun noted that traders or network owners are forced to provide their most strategic and powerful facilities, located mainly in regional centers or on main routes, while peripheral stations are forced to stand idle, although there are also a lot of consumers there.

According to him, the shortage of fuel became especially aggravated after the shutdown of the Kremenchug Oil Refinery as a result of a missile attack by Russian invaders.

On April 2, the Russian invaders destroyed the infrastructure of the Kremenchug oil refinery with their shelling, and it stopped working.

The damage done daily to the Ukrainian military and military industry is huge. One can get a sense of it when one reads through the briefings of the Russian defense ministry. From today's morning brief (here in full as some have difficulties accessing the site):

The Armed Forces of the Russian Federation continue the special military operation in Ukraine.

High-precision air-based missiles destroyed 16 military assets of Ukrainian overnight.

Among them: 5 enemy command posts, 1 fuel storage facility, 3 ammunition depots, as well as military personnel and equipment concentrated in Barvenkovo, Gulyai Pole, Kamyshevakha, Zelenoe Pole, Velikomikhailovka and Nikolaev.

Operational-tactical aviation hit 108 areas of concentration of Ukrainian manpower and military equipment.

In addition, 1 Ukrainian unmanned aerial vehicle was shot down by an air-to-air missile near Buda.

Army aviation destroyed 8 tanks and other armored fighting vehicles, as well as up to a company of enemy manpower near Pashkovo, Veseloe and Illichevka.

Missile troops struck with high-precision Iskander land-based missiles. 4 arms depots and Ukrainian military equipment were destroyed, as well as 3 areas enemy manpower concentration near Popasnaya, Yampol and Kramotorsk.

Russian artillery units hit 315 Ukrainian assets overnight. 18 command posts, 22 artillery batteries, 1 OSA-AKM anti-aircraft missile system, as well as 275 enemy strong points and areas of concentration of enemy manpower were hit.

Russian air defense means shot down 3 Ukrainian combat aircraft in the air: 2 MiG-29 fighters near Izyum and 1 Su-25 near Avdeevka.

11 Ukrainian unmanned aerial vehicles were also shot down in the air near Klimovo, Nevelskoe, Novotroitskoe, Izyum, Panteleimonovka, Sladkovodnoe and Yasnoe. 10 large-calibre rockets fired by Ukrainian multiple rocket launchers at Chernobaevka were intercepted.

In total, 139 aircraft, 483 unmanned aerial vehicles, 250 anti-aircraft missile systems, 2,326 tanks and other armored combat vehicles, 254 multiple launch rocket systems, 1,004 field artillery and mortars, as well as 2,184 units of special military vehicles of the Armed Forces of Ukraine were destroyed during the operation.

This has now been going on daily for more than a month. While the precision of the above numbers is somewhat uncertain I do not think that they are exaggerated by much. Yesterday there was no particular heavy fighting and the equipment destroyed on that one day alone was already more than what the U.S. has in total promised to send.

That means that the military destruction and defeat of the Ukrainian forces in the country's east is all but assured.

What then is the strategy that government in Kiev and its overlords in Washington, DC are following? Why has the Ukraine not given up? Why didn't it continue to negotiate with the Russian side?

Is their hope that their daily over the top 'Russia is losing' propaganda will create enough political momentum for a large scale NATO intervention?

That would end in a disaster for the NATO forces.

Russia is obviously prepared for it. It has so far held back large parts of its own forces. Russia has at least 12 tactical missile artillery brigades, each with 36 Iskander missile launchers and 144 fire ready missiles. Only three of the brigades plus a third of two other ones have so far been committed:

Three brigades, or a total of 36 Iskander launchers (two missiles each plus two resupply missiles per launcher) were deployed to Belarus as part of the buildup to war in Ukraine. Two additional brigades (12 launchers) were also assigned to Russia's Southern Military District and moved forward in the area of Belgorod near the Russian border; and to the area of Krasnodar, south of Ukraine.

Most of the Russian air force has likewise been held back.

On March 24 the Pentagon claimed that Russia was running out of precision munitions. However, if the Russian defense ministry report is correct, at least 16 precision air ground missiles and 7 Iskander were used just yesterday. To me that does not sound like 'limited supplies'.

The Russian cruiser was damaged last week and sunk. The ship was listing and so it must have had additional damage below its waterline. The pictures showed fire midship on its port side where two of its close-in weapons systems and their ammunition storages are. The ships crane is deployed right above that area. The large anti-ship missiles towards the bow and the S-300 air defense launchers behind the deckhouse seem intact. The port side life rafts are no longer where they were and must have been launched. That means that a significant part of the crew likely got off the ship alive before it sank. Ukrainian TV showed two missiles launched hitting the Russian flag vessel. Putin reportedly gave his naval officers lacing lectures about their failure to protect the Moskva.

If NATO troops/weapons put one foot over the border they are in danger of being welcomed with a barrage of very powerful missiles? Any significant incursion just wouldn't have time to hide themselves behind civilians which seems to be NATO's most effective defense at the moment. This suggests that a prelude to this would have to be a missile or air attack(s) on Russia an action that Putin has warned would result in action being taken against where the attack came from - The USA!

As of 7:00 AM Moscow time TODAY (Thursday), the Russian Ministry of Emergencies published information on their web site instructing Russian citizens to prepare for a NATO Retaliatory NUCLEAR Attack this Sunday, 24 April 2022.

As any thinking person is aware, the only way NATO would make a "RETALIATORY" nuclear strike, is if Russia launched a First Strike. So what does that tell you about this coming weekend?

Surely the Pentagon hasn't forgotten about Russia's undetectable? nuclear armed submarine in the world's oceans.

There is still unofficial data on the transfer of MGM–140 tactical complexes, which are also in commercial quantities in warehouses in Europe. These complexes, whose range of destruction reaches 300 km, allow striking deep into the territory of Russia.

Yesterday, Russia announced it had tested its new Satan II missile. "This is probably the most destructive single weapon on Earth," Ian Williams, a fellow at the Center for Strategic and International Studies think tank, told the Telegraph. As Russian President Vladimir Putin continues his war on Ukraine, this nuclear missile test sends a strong message to Europe and the rest of the world that Russia is not to be threatened.

What conclusions can we draw?

The first and main conclusion is that the initial stage of the military operation, when Russia could dictate its conditions and retain the initiative due to advantages in certain branches of the armed forces, has exhausted itself.

Secondly, the United States promptly compensated for the losses of the Armed Forces of Ukraine in armored vehicles and artillery, and is ready to maintain this balance due to the reserve of the Warsaw Bloc and its own reserves in Europe.

Third, there is a gradual saturation of the AFU with modern weapons, which neutralize the superiority of the Russian army and navy.

All this leads to the obvious conclusion that it will not work in the race of resources to break Ukraine simply by slowly grinding the AFU.

We are not at war with Kiev, but with the combined potential of the U.S. and the EU. There are enough stocks of equipment in Europe to compensate for all potential losses of the AFU.

NATO needs to look for other, asymmetric models of warfare and prepare for the new challenges that modern weapons systems transferred to Ukraine carry. Including on our own territory.

A new stage of military confrontation has begun, which requires the mobilization and concentration of state resources, changes in approaches to conducting a military operation.

A small victorious war did not work out. And the main thing to remember is that we are not at war with Ukraine.

We are fighting with the united and far from complete military potential of the Western world, led by the United States, on the territory of Ukraine, where the country is a battlefield and a resource base of war.

Ukraine is not the only, and far from the last theater of military operations of this global confrontation. So far, we are following an imposed corridor of actions, which leads to the exhaustion of our military and economic potential. Hopefully, the massive artillery, rocket, missile barrages that started the second phase yesterday are a sign that Russians want to bring the end of Donbass cauldron quickly, and solve the military resource race.

The U.S. and its allies have sent billions of dollars-worth of weaponry to Ukraine over the years, and committed billions more after Russia and its Donbass allies began a military operation in the country in February. Last week, US officials said Moscow had "warned" the White House to stop sending advanced arms or face "unpredictable consequences"

A Russian precision airstrike has wiped out a logistics facility outside Lvov in western Ukraine containing large amounts of US and European weaponry, MoD spokesman Igor Konashenkov has announced.

"On the morning of 18 April, air-launched missiles fired by the Russian Aerospace Forces delivered a precision strike against the 124th Joint Logistics Center of the Logistics Forces Command of the Ukrainian Armed Forces near Lvov. The logistics center and a large batch of foreign weapons delivered to Ukraine over the past six days from the United States and European countries was destroyed," Konashenkov said in a

Separately, Russian strikes destroyed a large ammunition depot near the village of Vasilkov near Kiev, the officer said.

Konashenkov said Russian missiles targeted a total of 16 military facilities in Ukraine over the course of the day, among them two command posts, two strongholds containing Ukrainian troops, and areas containing concentrations of enemy personnel and military equipment near the settlements of Popasna, Barvenkovo and Krasny Lyman in Lugansk, Kharkov and Donetsk.

The Russian MoD disclosed data with documented losses of Ukrainian Forces In the situation in the Ukraine on 18 April. Additionally, the MoD spokesman said, Russian tactical aviation carried out strikes against 84 separate military targets, destroying a Tochka-U tactical missile repair facility in Dnepropetrovsk, a territorial battalion command post in the area of Zelenoye Pole, and two ammunition and fuel depots near the settlement of Chervonnaya Polyana.

Russian artillery and rocket troops targeted 331 objects, crippling nine command posts, a depot containing rocket artillery ammunition, and 315 areas where enemy troops were concentrated in areas near the settlements of Popasnaya, Lugansk and Novomayorskoe, Dnepropetrovsk.

Ukrainian president Zelensky told CNN that the Ukraine was prepared to fight Russia for 10 years. That is not likely to happen regardless of what he says. A strike in the area of the settlement of Novotoshkovskaya in Lugansk also eliminated up to 120of the neo-Nazi militia and nine pieces of military equipment, Konashenkov said.

The spokesman said Russian forces have destroyed a total of 139 aircraft, 483 drones, 250 air defense systems, 254 rocket artillery systems, 2,337 tanks and other armored vehicles, 1,009 pieces of field artillery and mortars, and 2,196 military vehicles since the operation began on 24 February. With Ukraine's losses so far it is highly unlikely that Ukraine can absorb such losses and maintain a fighting spirit and morale among its troops. The U.S. and NATO are sacrificing Ukraine as a client state to weaken the Russian military. Russia is well aware of NATO/U.S. motives.

Joe Biden's policy reversals are detrimental to the strategic interests of the US. Why? There are reasons to suspect Biden is co-opted and or blackmailed by foreign and domestic enemies. These enemies are the Marxists, Globalists, the Communist Party of China (CCP), the Russian and Ukrainian Oligarchs, and the Iranians. Biden's policy failures, the outright violations of the Constitution and federal laws, can't just be attributed to the utter stupidity of Biden and his administration but are intentional.

Biden failed to defend the U.S. Southern Border and engaged with Iranian Mullahs to the detriment of our strategic interests and allies in the Middle East. He covered China as the likely source of the Covid-19 virus. He disbanded the DOJ/FBI unit that roots out CCP espionage agents in academia. Finally, Biden went soft on Russia. He shut down our domestic oil and gas production, killed the Keystone pipeline, greenlighted Russia's Nord Stream II pipeline, put the skids on Israel's EastMed gas pipeline, and delayed Russian sanctions and arming Ukraine before the Russian invasion.

America had grown weary of the war in Afghanistan with its mission creep. It was time to leave. Biden and his administration did leave – an example of how not to do it. The disastrous withdrawal from Afghanistan, abandoning Bagram AFB and leaving it for the Chinese. All the while, Hunter Biden was raking in millions from the Chinese, Russian, and Ukrainian oligarchs for no credible purpose other than gaining access to Joe Biden.

The Biden Administration's policy reversals backed the U.S. into a shooting war between the Russians and Ukrainians, and most likely to escalate. So is Joe Biden now toast to "those that foisted him on us"?

Were these policy reversals the result of undue influence on Joe Biden by enemies of the US, both foreign and domestic?

Ukraine is ready to fight for its land for ten years, the country's president Volodymyr Zelensky said in an interview with CNN. 5 million Ukrainian citizens have fled their homeland for shelter throughout the world. This amounts to just over 10% of the citizens seeking from the war.

"We want to liberate our country, to take back what belongs to us. We may be fighting with the Russian Federation for 10 years to take back what is ours. We may choose this path," Zelensky said.

He urged the West to speed up arms deliveries to Ukraine. "We need the equipment today or tomorrow, not within two or three months," Zelensky explained.

Also, Zelensky's economic adviser Oleg Ustenko said in a televised comment on Sunday that Kiev has asked the Group of Seven (G7) and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) for \$50 billion in financial assistance. He added that Ukraine has been also considering requesting a Special Drawing Rights loan from the IMF. According to Ustenko, Ukraine is currently losing about \$7 billion a month, which adds up to roughly \$50 billion over a six-month period. This comes as Russia's special military operation in Ukraine has entered its 53rd day. On 24 February, Russian President Vladimir Putin announced the beginning of the operation aimed at "protecting the people who have been subject to abuse and genocide by the Kiev regime." According to Putin, a major goal of the operation is to "demilitarize and denazify Ukraine" and hold all war criminals accountable for "bloody crimes against the civilians of Donbass." The Russian Defense Ministry has repeatedly stressed that its forces are targeting Ukraine's military

infrastructure only and doing everything possible to avoid casualties among civilians and unnecessary material damage.

Moscow and Kiev have had several rounds of negotiations in the past few weeks but they have not resulted in any breakthrough so far.

Zelensky is rumored to be related to Klaus Schwab, we know that he is one of Klaus Schwab's future leaders of the world and it remains to be determined what the agenda of Klaus Schwab is relative to the Ukraine. Getting back to my initial point here that Israel is arming the Nazi Azov militia they do so at serious risk of Putin retaliation and executing the Ezekiel 38/39 scenario against Israel.

The coming and passing of Passover and Resurrection Sunday may have resulted in a malaise and disappointment among those looking for the Rapture. Seeing the grand picture building there should be an accelerated anticipation of the Blessed Hope. We are still within a window frame of the Rapture through Rosh HaShanah of this year. Mark Biltz of El Shaddi Ministry sees Rosh HaShanah 2022 as a Shemitah event or a Jubilee event. Click on the links to Mark Biltz's two videos just below.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZtvLKayBiXQ

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4mTP36wQnvM

Mark Biltz makes the case that the Rapture can only occur on a Jubilee cycle and presents a wealth of evidence that would suggest Rosh HaShanah this September has great potential and reason for our Departure!

THE ABC'S OF SALVATION



Admit you are a sinner and have made mistakes.

BELIEVE

Believe that Jesus is God's Son, died on the Cross for you, and rose up from the grave on the third day.

CONFESS

Confess Jesus as the Lord of your life. And commit yourself to a life of following Jesus, and serving others.

(Romans 3:23; John 1:12; Romans 10:9)

<u>Do you have a relationship with the Lord of Lords, and King of kings, Jesus the Christ?</u>

ABC's of Salvation – Repent and be saved from the Wrath of God to come.

Blessings,

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