

INFORMATION DIGEST

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Status of the Ukrainian nuclear power plants and the nuclear industry of Ukraine

- According to SE "NNEGC "Energoatom", as of February 28, 2023, 9 power units of Ukrainian nuclear power plants, which are located on the territory controlled by Ukraine, worked to meet the needs of the population and the country's economy.
- The russians are blocking the connection of power units of the temporarily occupied Zaporizhzhya nuclear power plant, which continues to consume more than 100 MW of electricity for its own needs from the energy system of Ukraine.

Current situation on Zaporizhzhya NPP

- According to the SE "NNEGC "Energoatom" as of February 28, 2023, the Zaporizhzhya NPP received power for its in-house needs from the energy system of Ukraine. The radiation situation at the ZNPP site remains normal.
- Energoatom calls on the world's community to contribute to the withdrawal of russian soldiers from the premises of the ZNPP and the city of Energodar, demilitarisation of the plant and bringing it back it under full control of Ukraine, as the occupiers being present at the ZNPP threatens Ukraine with an environmental and nuclear disaster.
- The General Staff of the Armed Forces of Ukraine released information on the situation at the Zaporizhzhia NPP. The statement reads: "In Energodar, Zaporizhzhya region, the russian occupiers continue to exert pressure on the civilian population, in particular, by limiting the supply of heat and hot water to the homes. After massive dismissals, there is a shortage of specialists at the nuclear power plant, which is why the invaders are forced to hire people without education and experience."

Current situation on Chernobyl NPP and in the Exclusion Zone

- On February 28, 2023, the radiation situation at the ChNPP site was without changes. The monitored parameters of the equipment were within the boundaries set by the technological regulations. Operating personnel continues to ensure nuclear and radiation safety.

War in Ukraine

- The 370 day of the resistance of Ukraine to the russian military invasion has ended.
- According to the General Staff of the Armed Forces of Ukraine, the russian occupiers keep assaulting the city of Bakhmut in Donetsk Oblast [eastern Ukraine]; in some areas of Kherson and Zaporizhzhya Oblasts [southern Ukraine], they are trying to create conditions for an offensive. The Armed Forces of Ukraine repelled more than 85 russian attacks on 5 fronts on February 28.



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- The Air Forces of Ukraine launched three attacks on the areas of concentration of manpower of the occupiers. Rocket and artillery units struck an area of concentration of manpower and armament and military equipment of russians, as well as two positions of anti-aircraft systems.
- On the northern fronts, the operative situation remained unchanged. russians hold their units close to the state border of Ukraine yet there are no signs of formation of offensive groupings. During the day, the occupiers launched mortar and artillery attacks on the settlements of
- The threat of missile strikes on Ukraine remains very high. But it may not necessarily be a massive strike, the russians may resort to point strikes or wave attacks. Russians can carry out pinpoint missile strikes on Ukraine or attack in several waves, - this was reported by the head of the United Coordination Press Center of the Defense Forces of Southern Ukraine.
- The head of the Donetsk Oblast Military Administration (OMA), Pavlo Kyrylenko, said that three civilians were killed during russian shelling over the past day. On February 28, russians killed three residents of Donetsk Oblast. Four more people in were injured.
- In the city of Kyiv, Kyiv Oblast and a number of other northern and central regions [oblasts], an air-raid warning was issued at night February 28-29. At 00:30, the Kyiv Oblast Military Administration reported an "enemy air object" over the oblast and called on residents of Kyiv Oblast to stay in shelters.
- Preliminary reports from the Head of the Poltava Oblast Military Administration [central Ukraine], indicated that up to five russian UAVs had been shot down. Later, the Air Force confirmed: they had shot down four out of the four Shaheds launched by russia.
- The russians shelled four hromadas in the Nikopol district overnight with heavy artillery, with a haulage company and three industrial plants damaged in Nikopol. [A hromada is an administrative unit designating a town, village or several villages and their adjacent territories].
- US does not expect significant russian gains in Ukraine in coming weeks and months. Colin Kahl, US Under Secretary of Defence for Policy, does not rule out that the war in Ukraine might last for another two to three years.

Sources: t.me/V_Zelenskiy_official, t.me/energoatom_ua, Centre for Strategic Communication, Ministry of Defense of Ukraine, the National Police of Ukraine censor.net, Ukrainska Pravda, radiosvoboda.org, eurointegration.com.ua



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The girl in these photos is called Rusya.

On February 24, when the full-scale invasion began, she was only 18 years old - almost immediately the girl voluntarily joined the Armed Forces of Ukraine, because she could not stand aside.

Rusya received the position of a communications operator - these are, in fact, the ears of the armed forces. Her work schedule was almost around the clock, you need to work day and night.

Despite the constant tension, Rusya did her job well until February 10, 2023, when, during a combat mission, her car came under mortar fire - this is how the girl lost her leg, but, according to doctors, another 10 seconds and could have lost her life.

According to relatives, for the first two days in the hospital, Rusya was crying, crying non-stop. And then I decided to fight.

Today, she wants to be an example for all who, like her, lost limbs in this war. To show that in her condition an active full life is possible.

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THE UKRAINIAN NUCLEAR SOCIETY IS ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES, HELPING OUR COLLEAGUES FROM NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS, REFUGEES FROM THE ZAPOROZHYE NPP, AS WELL AS OUR MEMBERS WHO JOINED THE ARMED FORCES TO DEFENDED OUR COUNTRY.

WE CONSTANTLY NEED MEDICINES, WARM AND THERMAL CLOTHING, HEATERS, BATTERIES AND POWER BANKS, GENERATORS, AS WELL AS PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT AND OTHER ASSISTANCE.

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