

# 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 March 23-24, 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.

#### Current situation on Zaporizhzhya NPP

- According to the SE "NNEGC "Energoatom" as of evening March 23-24, 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.
- The International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) has abandoned creating a demilitarised zone around the Zaporizhzhya Nuclear Power Plant (ZNPP). Source: IAEA Director General Rafael Mariano Grossi, Deutsche Welle reports. Negotiations on the safety zone lasted eight months. According to Grossi, it is now a matter of cessation of hostilities near the nuclear power plant.

Quote: "We are well aware of the additional difficulties this [the creation of the zone] will bring, especially in the area of active hostilities. It will be extremely difficult to conduct the verification process; more than one mile from the demilitarised zone, the area will be highly militarised. Therefore, we do not consider it anymore," Grossi said.

Quote: "I came to the conclusion that for various reasons, the territorial issue for Ukraine can also be considered as a legitimisation of the Russian presence," he explained the reasons for stopping the negotiations.

The Ministry of Energy of Ukraine stated that Ukraine's position on the Russian-occupied ZNPP remains unchanged; the negotiations are ongoing, but the Russians are not coming up with anything constructive in these negotiations.

Rafael Grossi, the Director General of the IAEA, stated that there is a viable solution for the safe operation of the Zaporizhzhya NPP temporarily seized by the Russians, which requires international support.

#### Current situation on Chernobyl NPP and in the Exclusion Zone

- On March 23-24, 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 395 day of the resistance of Ukraine to the Russian military invasion has ended.



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- According to the General Staff of the Armed Forces of Ukraine, over the course of the past 24 hours, Ukraine's defence forces hit 21 russian clusters of manpower. At the same time, Ukrainian defenders shot down the enemy's helicopter Mi-24 and six unmanned aerial vehicles of various types.
- Meanwhile, Ukrainian Rocket Forces and Artillery units hit two command posts, four clusters of russian personnel, weapons and military equipment, two anti-aircraft missile systems, an ammunition storage point, an artillery unit at a firing position and two electronic warfare stations.
- russia is concentrating its main efforts on conducting offensive operations on the Lyman, Bakhmut, Avdiivka, Marinka, and Shakhtars'k fronts [eastern fronts]. The Avdiivka front is one of the hottest spots in Ukraine, but the russian occupation forces there are running out of steam, just as they are on the Bakhmut front.
- In Energodar, Zaporizhzhya Oblast, the russian occupiers organise "tours" for high school children to Volgodonsk, russia federation, to the Rostov NPP.
- The Defence Forces of the south are trying to clear a 20-30 kilometre zone on left-bank Ukraine of russians as part of the counter-battery fire. As for Kherson region, unfortunately, russian forces continue to search for positions and points, hiding again behind the civilian population of the left bank, and are shelling the city of Kherson and its suburbs.
- On the night of March 24, the city of Kostiantynivka, Donetsk region [eastern Ukraine] came under rocket fire. One of the rockets hit the one-story building in which the Point of Invincibility functioned: number of victims has increased to 5.
- russian troops attacked the border of Chernihiv region [nothern Ukraine], killing a local resident on the afternoon of 24 March.
- The russian occupiers again attacked the city of Kherson on 24 March: two men crossing the Dnipro floodplains were wounded, and one of them died.
- On March 24 russian forces attacked the city of Kryvyi Rih [central Ukraine] with drones, with five UAVs striking their targets.
- On 23 March 2023, at about 21:30, the forces and means of air defence of Air Command Pivden (South) shot down two Kh-59 guided air-to-surface missiles fired by russian Su-35 fighters from the Black Sea in Odesa Oblast.

*Sources: [t.me/V\\_Zelenskiy\\_official](https://t.me/V_Zelenskiy_official), [t.me/energoatom\\_ua](https://t.me/energoatom_ua), Centre for Strategic Communication, Ministry of Defense of Ukraine, the National Police of Ukraine [censor.net](https://www.censor.net), [Ukrainska Pravda](https://www.Ukrainska Pravda), [radiosvoboda.org](https://www.radiosvoboda.org), [eurointegration.com.ua](https://www.eurointegration.com.ua)*



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***Aviation of Ukraine: one day with the crews of Mi-8 and Mi-24 helicopters in Donetsk region [eastern Ukraine]***



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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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