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Ukraine pleads for more weapons, cholera spreads in Mariupol

KYIV, June 10 (Reuters) - Ukraine sought more help from the West on Friday, pleading for faster deliveries of weapons to hold off better-armed Russian forces and for humanitarian support to combat deadly diseases.

In Sievierodonetsk, the small city that has become the focus of Russia's advance in eastern Ukraine and one of the bloodiest flashpoints in a war well into its fourth month, further heavy fighting was reported.

To the south, the mayor of Mariupol - reduced to ruins by a Russian siege - said sanitation systems were broken and corpses were rotting in the streets.

"There is an outbreak of dysentery and cholera ... The war which took over 20,000 residents ... unfortunately, with these infection outbreaks, will claim thousands more Mariupolites," he told national television.

He called on the United Nations and the International Committee of the Red Cross to work on establishing a humanitarian corridor to allow remaining residents to leave the city, which is now under Russian control.

In a snapshot of the war's wider impact, the U.N.'s food agency said reduced exports of wheat and other food commodities from Ukraine and Russia could inflict chronic hunger on up to 19 million more people globally over the next year.

President Volodymyr Zelenskiy called in a video-linked speech for Ukraine to be incorporated as a part of the West, with binding guarantees for its protection.

Asking the EU to accept Ukraine as a membership candidate, he told a conference in Copenhagen: "The European Union can take a historic step that will prove that words about the people of Ukraine belonging to the European family are not just words."

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The war in the east, where Russia is focusing its attentions, is now primarily an artillery battle in which Kyiv is severely outgunned, Ukrainian officials say.

That means the tide of events could be turned only if the West fulfils promises to send more and better weaponry including rocket systems that Washington and others have promised.

'ARTILLERY WAR'

"This is an artillery war now," Vadym Skibitsky, Ukraine's deputy head of military intelligence, told Britain's Guardian newspaper.

Russia's attack on Ukraine continues, in Donetsk



Region

Charred remains of an ice sports venue are seen in Sievierodonetsk

Black smoke billows over Sievierodonetsk Azot chemical plant as Russia's invasion on Ukraine continues, in Sievierodonetsk

"Everything now depends on what (the West) gives us. Ukraine has one artillery piece to 10 to 15 Russian artillery pieces."

Germany, among the largest suppliers of weapons since Russia invaded but criticised for its slowness in supplying the heavy weaponry Kyiv says it needs, plans to revise its rules on arms exports to make it easier to arm democracies like Ukraine, Der Spiegel reported on Friday. read more

Russia is hoping to capture the full territory of eastern Luhansk province, which it demands Ukraine cede to separatists along with neighbouring Donetsk - an area known as the Donbas where it has backed a revolt by separatist proxies since 2014.

To that end, the Kremlin has concentrated its forces into a battle for Sievierodonetsk.

Ukrainian troops have largely pulled out of the city's residential areas but have not yielded their foothold on the east bank of the Siverskiy Donets river. Russian forces are also pushing from the north and south to try to encircle the Ukrainians, but so far have made limited progress.

Both sides say they have inflicted mass casualties. Battlefield reports could not immediately be verified by Reuters.

Britain on Friday condemned Russian proxy authorities in Donbas for what it called an "egregious breach" of the Geneva convention in sentencing to death two British nationals captured in the separatist region while fighting for Ukraine. read more

A U.N. official said trials conducted under such circumstances were tantamount to war crimes, while Ukrainian Foreign Minister Dmytro Kuleba denounced it as a "sham trial against prisoners of war".

Russian President Vladimir Putin launched what he terms his "special military operation" in Ukraine in February saying his aim was to disarm and "denazify" Russia's neighbour. Kyiv and its allies call it an unprovoked war of aggression to capture territory.

Ukraine said a speech delivered on Thursday by Putin - who drew a parallel between what he portrayed as a new quest to win back Russian lands and the historic achievements of Tsar Peter the Great - proved that Moscow's aim was conquest.

"Putin's confession of land seizures and comparing himself with Peter the Great prove: there was no 'conflict', only the country's bloody seizure under contrived pretexts of people's genocide," tweeted Zelenskiy aide Mykhailo Podolyak.

NATO member Estonia summoned Russia's ambassador there to condemn Putin's "completely unacceptable" praise for the 18th century Russian ruler who captured a city, Narva, that is now Estonian

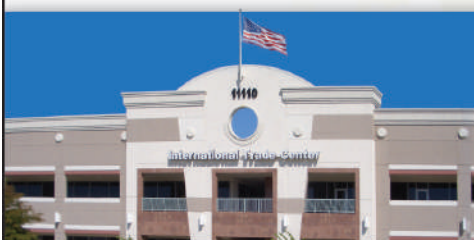


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WEA LEE'S GLOBAL NOTES

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Hike And Bike Trail Opens In The International District



This morning I joined the ground breaking ceremony for the new Hike And Bike Trail at the Arthur Story Park in the International District with the organizers of the Houston Park Board and many elected officials. Mayor Turner, Commissioner Cagle and City Councilwoman Tiffany Thomas all participated in the event. The grand opening kicked off with the Chinese lion dancing complete with

gongs and drums. Mayor Turner said this is a project that represents the cooperation between the City of Houston and County Commissioner Cagle. Thanks to all the helping hands and the hard work of many people.

This Hike and Bike Trail runs through the International District and extends up to Highway 6. The cost of the project was more than \$5 million dollars.

Over the past twenty years with the support of the City of Houston and the county government, our International District really has many beautiful project, including the one located at the intersection of Bellaire Blvd and Kirkwood. This 37 acres of land will be home to a state-of-the-art Alief

Community Center with a construction cost of \$58 million dollars. The center will also include a sports facility and an open area for the public to enjoy.

We are going to move the Lunar New Year celebration to the new Alief Community Center next year in February 2023.

When we look back

over the past years, we are so very proud and grateful that the International District has come a very long way. Every week we have new stores opening up and business is getting better every day. With the shared efforts of our community leaders, we can see a very bright future ahead for our community.



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Pro-Trump protesters storm into the U.S. Capitol during a rally to contest the certification of the presidential election results. REUTERS/Shannon Stapleton



An explosion caused by a police munition is seen while supporters of President Donald Trump riot in front of the U.S. Capitol Building in Washington, January 6, 2021. REUTERS/Leah Millis



Supporters of President Trump climb a wall at the Capitol Building. REUTERS/Stephanie Keith



Supporters of President Trump scale the walls of the Capitol Building. REUTERS/Jim Urquhart



Supporters of President Trump cover their faces from tear gas during a clash with police officers in front of the Capitol Building. REUTERS/Leah Millis



Protesters clash with Capitol police. REUTERS/Shannon Stapleton

“Make Art, Not War!”

Artists Around The World Leave
Their Mark In Support Of Ukraine

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Zaporizhzhia, Ukraine



Street artist Denys Antukov and his assistant Hanna work on a mural inspired by the Russian Warship, Go E.. Yourself! postage stamp in the Khortytskyi district of Zaporizhzhia, southeastern Ukraine. (Photo/Albert Koshelev | Future Publishing | Getty Images)

Key Point

Since Russia invaded Ukraine on Feb. 24, artists around the world have created poignant murals to support Ukraine. We share here how artists have depicted the war across the globe.

Belgrade, Serbia



A person walks next to a mural of Russian President Vladimir Putin, which has been vandalised with red spray paint and the word “War” written instead of the original text reading: “Brother”, following Russia’s invasion of Ukraine, in Belgrade, Serbia, April 29, 2022. Marko Djurica | Reuters

Paris



Fresco murals by French street artists Kedu Abstract and Jeff Aerosol are displayed on the wall of a Parisian building on March 14, 2022 in Paris, France. Chesnot | Getty Images



A fresco mural by French street artist Julien Malland

aka Seth Globepainter is displayed on the wall of a Parisian building on March 14, 2022 in Paris, France. Chesnot | Getty Images



A man takes a picture of a fresco mural by French street artist Sara Chelou displayed on “The walls of peace” on March 28, 2022 in Paris, France. Chesnot | Getty Images



A man takes a picture of a fresco mural by French street artist Eric Ze King aka EZK displayed on “The walls of peace” on March 28, 2022 in Paris, France. Chesnot | Getty Images



French street artist and painter Christian Guemy (R) known as C215 poses in front of his fresco depicting a Ukrainian young girl with a quote attributed to Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky: “I really don’t want my photos in your offices, because I am neither a god nor an icon, but rather a servant of the Nation.” Joel Sager | AFP | Getty Images



A man takes a picture of a fresco murals displayed on “The walls of peace” on March 28, 2022 in Paris, France. Chesnot | Getty Images



A child walks past by a graffiti made by the artist Vladimir Ovchinnikov in Borovsk, some 100kms south-west of Moscow, on April 14, 2022. Retired engineer Vladimir Ovchinnikov has spent decades painting murals on buildings in and around his small town south of Moscow. But since the outbreak of Russia’s conflict with Ukraine, the 84-year-old has found that some of his art is not welcome. | AFP | Getty Images



Rome, the new mural by the artist Maupal against the invasion of Ukraine by Russia depicting two Matryoshkas. Francesco Fotia Universal Images Group | Getty Images



Anti-Ukraine war mural by Italian street artist known by the name of ‘Laika’ depicting a hug between two women, one dressed in the Russian, the other in the Ukrainian national colors, respectively, above the word MIR (Peace) In the Ostiense district on March 09, 2022 in Rome, Italy. Andrea Ronchini | Nurphoto | Getty Images



Peace: The new mural by street artist Laika dedicated to the crisis between Russia and Ukraine. Marilla Sicilia | Mondadori Portfolio | Getty Images



A mural depicting a Ukrainian child under the SOS writing, created by the street artist known as ‘Harry Greb’, is seen next to the Coliseum metro station on March 17, 2022 in Rome, Italy. Andrea Ronchini | Nurphoto | Getty Images



A resident walks past mural painting by Bulgarian artist Stanislav Belovski depicting Russian President Vladimir Putin holding his own body in Sofia, on March 15, 2022. Nikolay Doychinov | AFP | Getty Images

Amsterdam, Netherlands



Murals of two young Ukrainian victims portrayed on the wall. On the left, Vitaliy Skakun Volodymyrovych (1996-2022) who is seen as a hero by the Ukrainian army for his heroic action during the explosion of a bridge to stop the Russian army, on the right, 10-year-old Ukrainian Polina, murdered by Russian soldiers when she and her family tried to flee Kyiv by car. Ana Fernandez | Sopa Images | Getty Images

Buenos Aires, Argentina



A woman walks pass the mural “No to war” by muralist Maximiliano Bagnasco in Buenos Aires on March 5, 2022. Juan Mabromata | AFP | Getty Images



A passer-by is seen observing the graphic representation of Ukraine’s president Zelensky calling for an end to the Russian invasion is seen in Plaza de Sant Jaume. Paco Freire | Lightrocket | Getty Images



A passer-by is seen taking photos of artist TvBoy’s new collage for peace in Ukraine. TvBoy, the Italian artist living in Barcelona, installs a new collage on the war in Ukraine in Plaza de Sant Jaume, representing three children installing a flag of peace on a Russian tank. Paco Freire | Lightrocket | Getty Images



A woman looks at a new work by Italian street artist TvBoy that depicts Russian President Vladimir Putin in prison, in Barcelona on March 31, 2022. Josep Lago | AFP | Getty Images



A newsagent picks up magazines next to a mural by Italian urban artist Salvatore Benintende aka “TV BOY” depicting a girl painting a peace symbol on an Ukraine’s flag, reading “Hope” in Barcelona on April 30, 2022. Pau Barrena | AFP | Getty Images



A mural of Putin, Hitler, and Stalin with a slogan “No More Time” is seen on the wall next to the PKM Gdansk Jasien train station. Mateusz Slodkowski | Lightrocket | Getty Images
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Yellow heart pierced by bullets on a blue background with inscription in Ukrainian and Polish - “Ukraine is fighting” - is seen in Gdansk, Poland on 6 March 2022 The mural was created to support Ukrainian people during the Russian war against Ukraine. Michal Fludra | Nurphoto | Getty Images

Poznan, Poland



A mural by graffiti artist KAWU depicting Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskiy as Harry Potter with Z on his forehead (instead of lightning bolt) symbolising Russia’s invasion of Ukraine is seen in Poznan, Poland March 9, 2022. Piotr Skornicki | Reuters

Kyiv, Ukraine



Kyiv, a mural against Putin in the city center, the inscription reads: Ukraine 5: Putin 0. Nicola Marfisi | Universal Images Group | Getty Images



Young people ride their e-scooters past a ‘stop

the war’ poster in central Kyiv on May 19, 2022 in Kyiv, Ukraine. Christopher Furlong | Getty Images



Ukrainian soldiers take pictures of a mural titled ‘Saint Javelin’ dedicated to the British portable surface-to-air missile has been unveiled on the side of a Kyiv apartment block on May 25, 2022 in Kyiv, Ukraine. The artwork by illustrator and artist Chris Shaw is in reference to the Javelin missile donated to Ukrainian troops to battle against the Russian invasion. Christopher Furlong | Getty Images



People take pictures of a sculpture depicting the President of Russia Vladimir Putin called “Shoot yourself” in the centre of Kyiv. Sergei Chuzavkov | Lightrocket | Getty Images

Lviv, Ukraine



A woman sits in front of a graffiti tribute to the Ukrainian Military and their ongoing war with Russia. Joe M O’Brien | Lightrocket | Getty Images

Berlin, Germany



A cyclist passes by a part of the Berlin Wall de-

corated with a graffiti of a Ukrainian flag colored Peace symbol, expressing solidarity with Ukraine at Potsdamer Platz on May 4, 2022 in Berlin, Germany. Omer Messinger | Getty Images



VILNIUS, LITHUANIA - APRIL 26: Street art paintings which supports Ukraine on April 26, 2022 in Vilnius, Lithuania. Russia invaded neighbouring Ukraine on February 24, 2022, and has been met with worldwide condemnation in the form of rallies, protests and peace marches taking place in cities across the globe. Paulius Peleckis | Getty Images

Dublin, Ireland



People pass a mural of President of Ukraine Volodymyr Zelenskyy, by the artist Aches, in central Dublin. Picture date: Monday April 4, 2022. Niall Carson | Pa Images | Getty Images

Edinburgh, Scotland



New street art which has appeared in Leith, Edinburgh, in response to Russia’s invasion of Ukraine. The mural features a Nightingale, the official national bird of Ukraine, against the country’s flag. Picture date: Tuesday April 5, 2022. Jane Barlow | Pa Images | Getty Images

Bristol, U.K.



Artwork of Ukrainian president Volodymyr Zelenskyy being portrayed as Superman is seen on a

wall of a shop, on May 15, 2022 in Bristol, England. Matt Cardy | Getty Images

Cardiff, Wales



A resident looks at new street art mural has appeared in Cardiff depicting Ukraine’s capital Kyiv under siege on March 01, 2022 in Cardiff, Wales. Huw Fairclough | Getty Images

London



A drawing describing the Russia-Ukraine war on the floor at Trafalgar Square. Demonstrations in support of Ukraine have been ongoing on an everyday basis in London since the Russia-Ukraine War started on 24th February 2022. Hesther Ng | Lightrocket | Getty Images



Stop the War and the pro Russian ‘Z’ with a cross through it, solidarity with Ukraine graffiti in Shoreditch, London. Matthew Chattle | Future Publishing | Getty Images



Krakow, Poland

A mural depicting Ukrainian president Volodymyr Zelenskyy and ‘Glory to Ukraine’ slogan written in Polish is seen in Krakow, Poland on 22 March, 2022. Beata Zawrzel | Nurphoto | Getty Images

Nairobi, Kenya



An artist showing a protest symbol power sign by a street mural created by a group of Artists from Maasai Mbili depicting Kibera’s love for Ukraine a midst the war. Donwilson Odhiambo | Sopa Images | Getty Images



A girl poses by a street mural created by a group of Artists from Maasai Mbili depicting a sign of love from Kibera to Ukraine a midst the war. Donwilson Odhiambo | Lightrocket | Getty Images

Los Angeles



A street stencil by artist 1GoodHombre depicts Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy gripping submachine guns as a person walks past on Melrose Avenue on March 30, 2022 in Los Angeles, California. Mario Tama | Getty Images



A woman walks past the ‘To Ukraine With Love’ mural by artists Corie Mattie and Julian Trindade depicting Russian President Vladimir Putin on March 14, 2022 in Los Angeles, California. Mario Tama | Getty Images
(Courtesy https://www.cnbc.com/2022/03/30)