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The Ukraine Civil War: Latest Developments

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We bring to the attention of our readers information concerning the Ukraine civil war.

We are not in a position to corroborate the statements contained in this report from Rebel HQ of the Ministry of Defense of the Donetsk People's Republic.

At night, 31st of July to 1st of August, units of the 1st Reconnaissance Company (rebel) carried out an attack on an enemy checkpoint near Andriivka, to South of Donetsk. The checkpoint s destroyed. 1 tank and 2 BMPs blown up.

Around Shchastne, Snezhne and Torez fighting continues against the partly-encircled UA forces. Inside the encirclement ended up a parts of the 25th Airmobile Brigade, of the " **More..** Dniepr-1" battalion and supply units. Currently the full encirclement of the the enemy battlegroup from the north is nearing completion.

South of Snezhne our forces continued to carry out artillery strikes against enemy positions around Stepanovka, Saurovka, Amvrosiivka, Blagodatkoe and around Saur-Mogila. The enemy was inflicted substantial losses in equipment and manpower.

In the first half of the day there was an exchange of bodies of those slain in the fighting around Stepanovka and Latishevo. Ukrainian side handed the rebels bodies of 13 slain fighters. During the inspection there was undeniable evidence that some of the dead were captured when still alive, but were savagely finished off. Some of the bodies were tied up like a "butterfly" and

had multiple knife wounds on their bodies. At the same time the three captured conscripts of the 25th Airmobile brigade were safely delivered to Donetsk, where two of them, those that were injured received qualified medical help.

Today, starting from 13:00, the enemy began an offensive on the South-Western outskirts of Donetsk, from the side of Pobeda and Karlovka settlements. Around 40 units of armor were deployed. Currently the enemy was able to capture a checkpoint South-West of Maryinka. Also an enemy attack is taking place against Krasnogorovka. Rebel units have retreated into the above mentioned settlements. The battle continues.

At 13:00 near Shahtersk an enemy UAV was shot down and captured.

Around Amvrosiivka an enemy artillery positions were hit by rebel counter-battery fire. Up to 5 artillery systems and 2 munition stores were destroyed.