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# Russia and Ukraine exchange 103 POWs – MOD (VIDEO)

The swap was carried out with humanitarian mediation from the UAE, according to Moscow

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Russia and Ukraine have conducted another prisoner of war exchange, returning over a hundred servicemen to each side, the Defense Ministry in Moscow announced on Wednesday.

In a statement published on social media, the ministry said that *“103 Russian servicemen were returned from territory controlled by the Kiev regime.”* In exchange, 103 Ukrainian Armed Forces prisoners of war were transferred to Kiev.

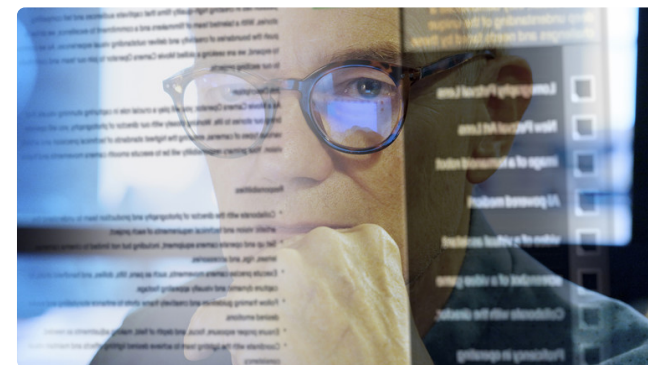


Source: Russian Ministry of Defense

The returned Russian servicemen are currently in Belarus, where they are receiving psychological and medical assistance, according to the ministry. Russian Human Rights Commissioner Yana Lantratova is working with the freed soldiers.

Lantratova noted that of the 103 returned Russian soldiers, 31 are wounded. *“Among those who*

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*returned are fathers of many children, and some are very young men,” she added.*



Source: Russian Ministry of Defense

The soldiers will later be transported to Russia for further treatment and rehabilitation at Defense Ministry medical facilities.



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During the exchange, Lantratova met Ukrainian Human Rights Commissioner Dmitry Lubinets. The two sides exchanged lists of missing persons, as well as letters from relatives for servicemen who remain in captivity. They also agreed to arrange the delivery of parcels to POWs held by both sides.

The exchange was carried out with humanitarian mediation from the United Arab Emirates, the ministry added.

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Moscow and Kiev have also continued exchanging the bodies of fallen soldiers. The UAE has repeatedly acted as a mediator in humanitarian contacts between the two sides.

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