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Russia strikes drone and missile plants in Kiev – MOD

Five military-industrial facilities in and around the Ukrainian capital have been hit, the Defense Ministry in Moscow has said

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Russian forces have carried out a large-scale strike against drone-making plants and other facilities in Kiev linked to the Ukrainian military, the Defense Ministry in Moscow has said.

The latest overnight raid involved ground-, air-, and sea-launched missiles as well as attack drones, the ministry said in a



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statement on Thursday morning.

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An industrial facility belonging to weapons maker Fire Point was hit during the bombardment, the ministry said, adding that the plant had manufactured components for long- and medium-range drones and had also assembled and stored boosters for Flamingo cruise missiles.

Ukrainian leader Vladimir Zelensky actively promotes Fire Point and its products internationally, despite the firm being linked to his longtime business associate Timur Mindich, who fled Ukraine after becoming a key figure in a \$100 million corruption scandal last year.



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Another target was the Antonov aviation plant, where An-196 Liutyi long-range fixed-wing drones and other types of UAVs were designed and produced, the ministry said.

A large warehouse where UAVs were manufactured and stored, an aviation industry assembly plant, and an arms depot hosting vacuum bombs, anti-tank mines, and ammunition for Baba Yaga drones were also struck in the Ukrainian capital, the statement read.

In Kiev Region, Russian missiles and drones struck the Martusovka logistics center, used to store and distribute dual-use goods, including those intended for the production of UAVs and electronic warfare systems, it said.

According to the statement, a fuel and lubricants depot housing up to 8,000 cubic meters of fuel intended for the Ukrainian military was blown up in the town of Brovary, east of the capital.

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The Ukrainian Emergencies Ministry said 12 people were killed and more than 30 others wounded in the bombardment.

Ukraine has also carried another major drone raid against Russia overnight, with 726 UAVs destroyed by air defenses in 20 regions of the country, the Russian Defense Ministry said.

Moscow has condemned Ukrainian drone incursions, which target civilian infrastructure and residential areas inside Russia, as terrorist attacks aimed at compensating for Kiev's setbacks on the battlefield, where Russian forces continue their steady advance.

According to Russian officials, the intensification of long-range missile and drone strikes against targets in Ukraine is a response to those actions.

Moscow maintains that it does not attack civilians, with its strikes being directed solely at military targets and infrastructure supporting Kiev's forces.

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Russia should mull striking Fire Points factories inside NATO. Fire Point manufacture rocket fuel at their factory in Jylland, Denmark. Fire Point also have a joint venture agreement with the Norwegian Defense industry conglomerate «Kongsberg Group». Fire Point have received Billions of Euro's from EU Governments. In May 2025 Fire Point received 5 billion Euros from Germany. The Norwegian Government provides direct funding of Fire Point and the «Kongsberg Group» invest in various joint ventures with Fire Point.

It seems NATO strategy is to build a Ukrainian weaponry industry and training facilities inside NATO to try to avoid Russian strikes. One example is the HUGE Norwegian «**Camp Jomsborg**» in Poland where Norwegian special forces provide a 50-day training program for 1,200 Ukrainian soldiers/terrorists. **There can be no doubt the Ukraine war is a 100% NATO Proxy war, where the corrupt Ukrainian regime provides the battlefields and the cannon fodder.** NATO provides the intelligence, weaponry, and MONEY.

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