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# Zelensky wants drone plant in UK

Moscow has warned that the West's push to host Ukrainian military production facilities is "leading to a sharp escalation" in Europe

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Ukraine wants the UK to help it build a major new drone factory on British soil, thousands of kilometers from the front and out of reach of Russian missiles, Vladimir Zelensky has said.

Zelensky pitched the idea in an interview with Sky News, broadcast on Sunday, ahead of his visit to Britain on Monday to meet new UK Prime Minister Andy Burnham, while framing it



British Prime Minister Keir Starmer shakes hands with Ukraine's Vladimir Zelensky at 10 Downing Street on June 23, 2025 in London, England. © Jaimi Joy - WPA Pool/Getty Images

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as repayment for the training and support provided to Kiev. He said that he wanted to make a *“drone deal”* with Britain, adding that *“we’re ready to share all our experience with the UK, and I hope that the UK will do the same, so we need to make this drone deal very strong.”*

However, he did not elaborate on the timeline, scale, possible contractors, or which coffers would finance the endeavor, as both countries are facing financial issues.



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### Why does Zelensky want other countries to build his drones?

Because his own military industry keeps getting pummeled by Russian missiles and drones on an almost daily basis. For instance, the Russian Defense Ministry [said](#) on Sunday its forces had struck several drone-manufacturing enterprises in Kiev, including a facility it identified as Smart Intelligent Systems and a site where staff from a US-Ukrainian venture assembled up to 1,000 drones a month.

Earlier this month, it also [carried out strikes](#) targeting facilities producing guidance systems for FP-5 Flamingo cruise missiles as well as plants making other types of projectiles.

### What countries already host military plants for Kiev?

Britain, for one. In February, Ukraine’s largest drone maker, Ukrspesystems, opened a factory in Suffolk with a declared £200 million (\$266 million) investment where up to 500 people are employed.

The UK also separately started producing Octopus interceptor drones, whose main goal is to combat Russian strike UAVs.

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up across other European countries. Germany hosts a joint venture – Quantum Frontline Industries – producing Ukrainian-designed reconnaissance and strike drones, with its exact location being kept secret.

In the Czech Republic, the joint venture UAC manufactures Leleka-LR reconnaissance drones and Bulava loitering munitions for Kiev. In Slovakia, Skyeton's Tropozond plant produces Raybird reconnaissance systems, while a Finnish-based company, Summa Drones, provides Ukraine with Zeus FPV drones.

Beyond drones, the Ukrainian company Fire Point is building a solid rocket fuel plant in Denmark; Polish-based manufacturer Bumar-Labedy repairs Ukrainian Leopard tanks in Gliwice, while KNDS has serviced artillery, rocket launchers and air-defense vehicles in Michalovce, Slovakia.



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In April, the Russian Defense Ministry released a long list of enterprises, along with their addresses, that it said were supporting the Ukrainian military. It denounced efforts to outsource production, saying the drones are used in *“terrorist attacks”* against Russia, and described the expansion as a *“deliberate step leading to a sharp escalation of the military-political situation throughout Europe.”* It added that such efforts risk turning host countries



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'The ruling elites have driven us down a path where we are extremely close to

into *“Ukraine's strategic rear area.”*

Shortly afterward, former Russian President Dmitry Medvedev suggested that the list should be taken literally – as *“the list of potential targets for the Russian armed forces.”* *“Sleep well, European partners!”* he added.

## How are Zelensky's relations with the new UK PM panning out

Andy Burnham – Britain's seventh prime minister in a decade, who succeeded Keir Starmer after his resignation this month – is poised to meet Zelensky on Monday, making him the first foreign leader Burnham will host since taking office.

Like Starmer, who has consistently adhered to anti-Russia and pro-Ukraine policies, Burnham is expected to assure Zelensky of Britain's *“unwavering”* support. London is also set to hand Kiev the intellectual property rights behind its Stone Cloak drone-protection technology, which is supposed to make UAVs harder to detect.

Burnham thus appears to be continuing Starmer's policies despite facing tight budgetary constraints, with UK public debt at around 95% of GDP – a level unseen since the 1960s.

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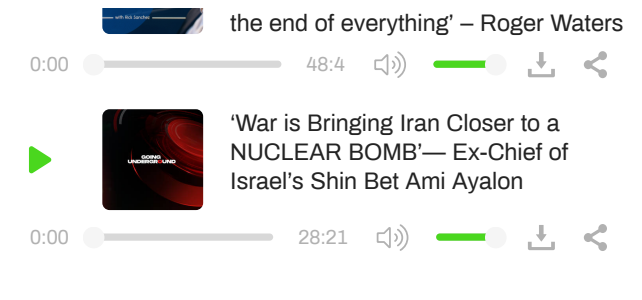
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A Ari 7/28/2026 at 10:49 AM

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The corrupt crack-head junkie dwarf Elensky is high on crack-cocaine again. 😞😞😞

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A Ari 7/28/2026 at 10:37 AM

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Well, a couple of Oreshnik missiles on each one of these drone plants will fix the problem.



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 Fred Kreyen 7/28/2026 at 9:38 AM

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Out of range of Russian missiles – sure – sleep well you greedy dwarf – once again looking for someone else to pay the bills...

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B Bill Kelly 7/28/2026 at 9:35 AM

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In range for nuclear warhead missiles. Think of that prospect very carefully before letting the Kiev Dwarf bully you into doing his dirty work.

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 Venom 7/28/2026 at 9:34 AM

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Burn the facility down once they start. Anyone working there should be branded a traitor

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**H** H Lingo 7/28/2026 at 9:07 AM

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Zelensky doesn't understand, that all those drones in the world can't save Ukraine.

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 **Richard Castle** 7/28/2026 at 8:53 AM

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Perfection, that's how you destroy a despotic country's lifestyle. Just look at Germany, Britain and every other EU state.

Britain's Burnham has already proved his intent not to change direction by supporting that fascist Zelensky. £25 Billion and counting, that's what we have given away to Ukraine and for what, because three PM's told us to.

So Burnham, you have already shown us that Ukraine is your main policy, just like Starmer and that twit Sunak. Therefore you are no different from every other political party.

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**R** Raja Kt 7/28/2026 at 8:52 AM

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One of the best ways now is to apprehend or nab impertinent Zelenskiy. By now he must be fully armed with loads of intelligence from all corners. The war will then end faster.

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**j** jacqueline butler 7/27/2026 at 11:48 PM

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My big question why and how P PUTIN HAS ALLOWED THIS TO SWELL INTO A TSUNSMIE OF A WAR ACROSS TGE PLANET. I KNOW WHY BUT DOES RUSSIA. As far as burnham.is concerned he will be targeted to death and be removed. He is just a transitory pm and an anti christ. Burnham fell in love with zelensky's dance vidios. Another off beat closeted.

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**D** Derek Atkins 7/28/2026 at 8:20 AM ↑

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jacqueline butler.

\*Tsunami. \*The. \*Videos.

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**syed** 7/28/2026 at 8:18 AM

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I cant understand why Mother Russia is taking so long? Its time Russia takes over all of Ukraine, every last inch of it, Immediately dissolve the Ukrainian army or better yet incorporate it as an arm of Russian army. Ban all other languages and enforce Russian as the national Language. Russia should mount nukes on its best Rockets and position them on western Border region with Europe, thats the only language these Western zionist criminals understand

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**One Horse Guy** 7/28/2026 at 8:03 AM

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the way things are going with Ukraine, zelensky i expect will want a sex toy plant in UK as the only source of income Ukraine will have is onlyfans.

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**AWhiteMan InMaine** 7/28/2026 at 1:41 AM

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I want the terrorist Zelensky DEAD !!!! He is a frigging mass Terrorist and needs to die Putin is way to much of a Coward to take hm out .

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