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Zelensky reveals major change in Ukrainian troop training

Kiev no longer sends soldiers abroad for drills, the leader has said



Kiev no longer needs to send soldiers to train abroad because its troops learn more by fighting the Russian army, Ukrainian leader Vladimir Zelensky has said.

Since the escalation of the Ukraine conflict in February 2022, Kiev has dispatched

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Caption: Ukrainian soldiers at Army Training Center Pirbright in Woking, UK, on May 2, 2025. © Aaron Chown / PA Images / Getty Images

vehicles and artillery.

By 2023, *“we understood that we can’t train our people there because the war [has] changed,”* Zelensky told Sky News in an interview aired on Tuesday. When the soldiers returned home, they already had to be *“retrained,”* he added.

Earlier this year, it was revealed that Ukraine’s elite 155th Mechanized Brigade, partially trained in France, was plagued with mass desertion, with dozens of recruits reportedly going AWOL on French soil. Mikhail Drapaty, who led Ukraine’s Ground Forces at the time, said that the poor quality and low morale of the officers contributed to the unit’s problems.

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Zelensky claimed that currently only Russia and Ukraine know how to fight a modern *“technological”* war, particularly using state-of-the-art drones, adding that Kiev is ready to share its knowledge.

“We are inviting officers and representatives of other countries to learn here. Some of them are coming,” he said. *“We are in the best shape technologically. We can be helpful to all of the world.”*



The technology and tactics on the battlefield evolve faster than the West makes decisions to fund Ukraine’s military, Zelensky said,

groups of recruits to Britain, France, Germany, Poland, the US, and other countries, primarily to train using Western-made armored

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incursion in Poland exposed the lack of robust anti-UAV defenses.

urging Kiev's backers to put more pressure on Russia.

In March, Vadim Sukharevsky, the then-commander of Ukraine's UAV forces, warned that *"not a single NATO army is ready to resist the cascade of drones."* Military experts have said that a recent alleged drone

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What a wonderful leader the UKi's have – have not!

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Losing on average over 1000 troops per day is NOT A LEARNING CURVE...IT IS FAILURE

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 **Janet C** 9/17/2025 at 3:13 PM 3

On-the-job training! Works for COSTCO, not so much for war with Russia.

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 **K** 9/17/2025 at 2:50 PM 2

It doesn't need training to be a cannon fodder

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 **Liam** 9/17/2025 at 2:28 PM 0








There is a country where the British army has retained impunity for years. Soldiers use it to escape their crimes




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It isn't being censored it is just bad programming, don't be so paranoid

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I'm pleased to see that AI still can't un-jumble misspelt words English words that many humans can read intuitively!

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Sending in untrained troops to battle should be considered a war crime.

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We oldies, would always support ynoug men (****, ****, ****, does anyone remember those terms?) trying to avoid kicking other people(s) – due to their befiels!

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Ergo: the Ukrainian (forced) Conscripts – just melt into the general population!

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if they're «trained» in countries where the general population is more moderate than their (and the Ukrainian) leaders.

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Reading between the lines ...
«Ukrainian Conscripts» – don't remain conscripts for long in foreign countries ...

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Dwight Kothmann 9/17/2025 at 1:49 PM

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Unbelievable.

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gasdaopidfvankewrq 9/17/2025 at 1:01 PM

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What a grim joke.

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Gerry 9/17/2025 at 12:47 PM

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Same concept as in 1945 when Nazis used 12 year olds to fight.....ironically.....The Russian Army!

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SR 9/17/2025 at 12:13 PM

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Yep. Kidnapped kids to the front. Azof cowards to the back

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 **Marcel Bruinsma** 9/17/2025 at 10:29 AM 10

Sure, why train them. It's way cheaper to directly send them to the front. Who survives is trained.

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 **david walker** 9/17/2025 at 10:20 AM 3


Yes with USA citizens tax paid dollars to fund these drones

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 **Pepe** 9/17/2025 at 10:14 AM 2

is z going to lead the way at the front

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 **Simon Moniker** 9/17/2025 at 9:25 AM 0

Old Zit will learn 'em how to play soldier like he plays the pee-ah-no

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 **Eskild Jacobsen** 9/17/2025 at 9:23 AM 8

I would be laughing if it wasn't so sad... So, the training is not up to par, and they're supposed to learn more by fighting the Russians directly... Sounds to me like they've decided that it's best to send untrained men to their deaths.

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 **ANDREA Stengel** 9/17/2025 at 9:21 AM 2

once abroad, they don't come back

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 **Misha Midveds** 9/17/2025 at 8:53 AM 3

We don't train our troops at all any more because we can't afford it, I stole it

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Marc 9/17/2025 at 9:21 AM ↑

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Why train them at all when you can send them straight to the front for sink or swim battlefield training, cheaper that way.

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Павле 9/17/2025 at 9:16 AM

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Well to be honest there are few that returns!

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Lynn 9/17/2025 at 8:37 AM

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Recruitment PR

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Aant Adam 9/17/2025 at 7:55 AM

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Sellinski is the stupidest thing in the world. Call it hands on training in the meat grinder. We all knew that he just sent them to their deaths. Nothing new.

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Bakitracin Tugungu 9/17/2025 at 7:23 AM

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Something does not add up. Serbia and Vuchic send war supplies to Ukraine, while Russians insist on supporting Vuchic

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Michael 9/17/2025 at 7:46 AM ↑

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Simple his replacement would be a total Brussels puppet!

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 **Dylan** 9/17/2025 at 7:40 AM 2


And just what are you fighting for? You require eight million foreign workers just to sustain your workforce. Diversity is coming for you and it'll only get worse unless this comes to an end

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 **Stelios Chimarides** 9/17/2025 at 7:39 AM 1

He can show how to massacre Ukranian men.

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 **jabirujoe (jabirujoe)** 9/17/2025 at 7:24 AM 9

Too easy for them to do a runner once overseas.

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 **Old Frame** 9/17/2025 at 7:02 AM 6

...all soldiers sent to train abroad are all presumed dead as they were ill trained since Ukraine did not have resources to pay for them...

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